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SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

STEAM to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, PLYMOUTH, LONDON, BRINDISI, VENICE, TRIESTE, AND MARSEILLES.

PROGRAMME OF DEPARTURES.

	Vessel	Tons	H.P.	Captain.	FRIDAY.
L.	Shannon	4148	800	J. S. Murray	7th Nov.
M.	Surat	3142	600	C. R. Edwards	14th "
L.	Cathay	3963	500	T. Fairclough	21st "
—	Ancona	3958	800	S. F. Cole	28th "
L.	Parramatta	4750	1000	C. Gadd	5th Dec.
M.	Pekin	3900	600	A. Symons	12th "
L.	Malwa	3259	500	A. W. Adamson	19th "
—	Gwalior	3733	500	P. Harris	26th "
					1884.
L.	Rosetta	3502	700	G. W. Brady	2nd Jan.
M.	Venetia	2726	600	A. B. Daniell	9th "
L.	Massilia	4911	1000	S. D. Shallard	16th "

The steamers marked L proceed direct to London via Malta, and those marked M via Marseilles. By the others passengers for London change vessels at Suez. All London steamers call at Plymouth.

A steam-barge will leave the Company's Dockyard, Mazagon, at 3 p.m., on the day of sailing to convey passengers on board.

STEAM TO COLOMBO, STRAITS, CHINA, JAPAN, AND AUSTRALIA.

Vessel.	Tons.	H.P.	Captains.	On	1884.
SUTLEJ	4194	800	A. H. Johnson		14th Nov.
PESHAWUR	3300	600	J. C. Babot		28th "
TASMANIA	4500	800	C. Perrins		12th Dec.
HYDASPES	3284	400	G. Scrivenor		26th "

Return Tickets are now issued at greatly reduced rates to all ports, for particulars of which apply to

G. F. JOHNSON,
Acting Superintendent, P. & O. S. N. Company.
Bombay, Nov. 6, 1884.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

BRINDISI ROUTE.

THROUGH TICKETS from BOMBAY to LONDON *viâ* Brindisi, including the Continental Railway Fare, are now invited on favorable terms; and return tickets available for three and six months. Tickets can also be obtained which allow passengers to travel 1st class by the steamer and 2nd class by rail from Brindisi to London.

MARSEILLES ROUTE.

STEAMERS leave BOMBAY for MARSEILLES and LONDON direct every four weeks (see general advertisement), and the voyage to the former port is accomplished in 19 days in fair weather (21 days during the Monsoon). The Railway journey from Marseilles to London occupies about 27 hours.

Fares to London, by the sea route or *viâ* Marseilles, including the Railway Fare across the Continent :—
First Class Rs. 680. Second Class Rs. 370.
Return Tickets are also issued, for particulars of which and all other information on the subject, apply to

G. F. JOHNSON,
Acting Superintendent, P. and O. S. N. Co.
Bombay, Oct. 13, 1884.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.

SOCIETA RIUNITE FLORIO RUBATTINO.

THE Regular Mail Steamers leave BOMBAY on the 1st of each month at noon, calling at ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, GENOA, and MARSEILLES, starting from GENOA on the 24th of every month for BOMBAY.

FARE to all Ports of Italy and Marseilles, Rs. 500, Rs. 360, Rs. 150, for First, Second, and Third Class respectively, inclusive of Wine. Infants are allowed free. Children over three and under ten years, half fare. Families will be allowed liberal discount.

Passengers' heavy luggage will be delivered in LONDON, FREE OF CHARGE, to the extent allowed in the handbooks.

A discount of 25, 20, and 10 per cent. is allowed to Passengers returning within three, six, and twelve months respectively from the date of LANDING.

The following or other First Class Steamers will leave Bombay :—

	Tons.	H.P.		
ABYSSINIA	3,500	400	on Monday,	1st Dec.

Steam Launch leaves Apollo Bunder between 10 and 11 a.m. on the day of Sailing, with Passengers and heavy Baggage.

Through Railway Tickets available for 17 days, to London *viâ* Calais or Brighton, both from Genoa and Naples are issued here.

For Handbooks of information and other particulars, apply to

F. BOZZONI, Agent.
Sassoon House, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, Sept. 1, 1884.

CIE. NATIONALE DE NAVIGATION.

REGULAR MONTHLY STEAMERS TO MARSEILLES.

THE new first-class steamer COLOMBO, 4,700 tons register, 450 horse-power, will LEAVE BOMBAY for MARSEILLES direct on the 20th November. She carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

First class to Marseilles, Rs. 500, including wines.
Children under 2 years, free. Under 10, half fare.
The Railway fares from Marseilles to London are as follows :—

Via Calais and Dover (Mail)	1st class	Rs. 75
Via Dieppe	1st class	„ 51

Passengers' heavy luggage will be delivered in London free of charge to the extent allowed by the passage ticket.
For further particulars, apply to

RALLI BROTHERS,
Agents.
Bombay, 20th October, 1884.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S S. N. Co.

REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN BOMBAY, BRINDISI, AND TRIESTE, *VIA* CANAL.

Steamers.	Captains.	Tons.	H.P.	To sail 1884.
MEDUSA	G. Ragusin	3,500	550	29th Nov.
TITANIA	G. Doncich	4,000	600	29th Dec.
PANDORA	G. Mettel	3,500	550	29th Jan. 1885.

A Surgeon and Stewardess on board of every Steamer.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY.

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	Deck.
TRIESTE OR BRINDISI	Rs. 500	Rs. 300	Rs. 130

RETURN TICKETS are now issued available for SIX MONTHS at the following rates :—

	1st Class.	2nd Class.
TRIESTE OR BRINDISI	Rs. 800	Rs. 480

Above rates include Wines supplied at meals.

Steamers for BOMBAY leave TRIESTE on the 1st and BRINDISI on the 3rd of each month.

The Company's steam launch will be in attendance at the Apollo-bunder on the day of sailing to convey passengers and their luggage to the steamer, free of charge.

STEAM TO COLOMBO, PENANG, SINGAPORE AND HONGKONG.

Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	H.P.	To sail 1884.
PANDORA	G. Mettel	3,500	550	29th Nov.

STEAM TO COLOMBO AND CALCUTTA.

Steamer.	Captain	Tons	H.P.	To sail.
ORION	G. Mahorcich	3,500	550	12th Nov.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.
For further particulars, freight, passage, &c., &c., apply to

J. JANNI, Agent.
Sassoon House, 50, Church-gate-street Bombay Oct. 3, 1884.

CLAN LINE STEAMERS.

THE following sailings have been arranged :—

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL DIRECT.

	Tons.	Comdr	About
CLAN SINCLAIR	3,000	C. E. Darley	2nd Decr.
CLAN DRUMMOND	3,000	H. L. Wilson	12th do.
CLAN OGILVIE	2,600	G. Nelson	2nd Jan.
CLAN MURRAY	2,100	E. Worfolk	12th do.

To be followed by other first-class steamers at regular intervals.

Each steamer carries a properly qualified Surgeon and stewardess, and Wines can be had on board at moderate prices.

The steamers have splendid accommodation for first-class passengers.

Passage Money, Rs. 450.

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FINLAY, MUIR & Co.,
Agents.

CITY LINE.

THE first class steamer CITY OF MANCHESTER, 3,125 tons, will sail for Liverpool on or about 11th November. Carries a Surgeon and Stewardess. Two Berth Cabins, Baths, Punkhas, &c., with every comfort for passengers.

This vessel is well known as a favourite passenger ship from Calcutta, and has very superior accommodation.

For further particulars apply to

SIR CHARLES FORBES & Co.,
Bombay, 22nd Oct., 1884. Agents.

NOTICE.

THE s.s. HILDA has ARRIVED from CARDIFF, and is discharging in the Prince's Dock.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO are requested to present their BILLS of LADING for our countersignature, and to take delivery of their Goods without delay.

All damaged Goods must be surveyed before removal from the Dock, and no claim will be entertained after the departure of the Steamer.

CURSETJEE & EDULJEE,
Dubashes.

SHIPPING.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (LIMITED)

Intend to despatch Steamers as follows :—

FOR COAST AND CALCUTTA.

S. S. "ELLORA," 1,970 tons, on WEDNESDAY, 12th November, 1884, at 5 p.m., calling at such ports as may be arranged. Particulars can be ascertained on application to the undersigned.

FOR KURRACHEE AND PERSIAN GULF.

S. S. "JAVA," 1,465 tons, on MONDAY, 10th November, 1884, at 11 a.m., calling at Kurrachee, Bunder Abbas, Lingah, Bahrein, Bushire, Fao and Bussrah, in the foregoing or any order, weather permitting.

FOR ADEN, ZANZIBAR AND MOZAMBIQUE.

S. S. "ABYSSINIA," 1,123 tons, on 6th November, 1884, at 4 p.m.

FOR KURRACHEE AND KATTYWAR COAST.

S. S. "BURMAH," 1,081 tons, on WEDNESDAY, 12th November, 1884, at noon, calling (weather permitting) at Veraval, Mangarole, Porebunder, and Cutch Mandavie.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co.,
Bombay, 2nd October, 1884. Agents.

HOMEWARD PASSENGERS.

PASSAGES SECURED by P. & O. and other Steamers, and THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED, including Rail and Steamer, available from BOMBAY, CALCUTTA and any principal Railway Station in India, to all parts of the Globe.

THROUGH BOOKINGS to LONDON by ANY ROUTE across the Continent, and every assistance rendered to passengers with COOK'S TICKETS by their interpreters at Brindisi, Venice, Naples, Marseilles, Turin, Paris, &c.

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GRINDLAY AND Co., CALCUTTA,

BOOK PASSAGES by P. & O. and all other Steamer without charge for Commission.

GENERAL AVERAGE S.S. MALWA.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO by the above vessel are informed that the Statement of General Average is now completed, and refunds of amounts due will be made on application at this Office.

Copies of the Statement can be obtained from Messrs. Lidbetter and Stead, Average Adjusters.

It is particularly requested that early application be made, in order that the settlement may be completed without delay.

G. F. JOHNSON,
Acting Superintendent P. & O. S. N. Company.
Bombay, 4th November, 1884.

S. S. "BRENDA" ARRIVED from MIDDLESBRO. CONSIGNEES are requested to present their BILLS of LADING accompanied by delivery order for our Countersignature, and take delivery of their Goods from alongside without delay.

All damaged Goods must be surveyed before removal from the Ship's Dock, and no claim will be entertained after the departure of the steamer.

CURSETJEE AND EDULJEE, DUBASHES.

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SHERRY,
PURE NATURAL FINO.

THIS is particularly recommended as a high class Wine, suitable for the earlier courses of every well served Dinner.

Cash price Rs. 28 per doz.

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TREACHER'S MILK PUNCH.

FOR COCK-TAILS AND PICK-ME-UPS.

Per doz. Rs. 24 Cash.

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FROM THE CELEBRATED DISTILLERIES OF THE VINE GROWERS' ASSOCIATION OF COGNAC.

	Cash.
TREACHER'S PALE COGNAC ..... per doz.,	Rs. 26 0
TREACHER'S OLD PALE COGNAC ..... „	„ 30 0
TREACHER'S FINE OLD PALE COGNAC, the Celebrated "Heart Labelled" Brandy ..... „	„ 33 0
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THE BOMBAY GAZETTE
MAP OF CHINA
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SEAT OF WAR IN THE FAR EAST.

Size, 36 inches × 30 inches.
Mounted on Cloth and Rollers.
COLOURED.
Price, Re. 1 ; postage, one anna.
To be had at the *Bombay Gazette* Office,
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AN ENGINE-DRIVER for the Lahore Water-Works. He must be a thoroughly practical man acquainted with the working of horizontal engine and pumps. A man previously employed on water-works preferred. Salary according to qualifications. Applications with copies of certificates will be received to the 15th Nov., 1884, by the Secretary to the Municipal Committee, Lahore.

DAVID JOHNSTON,
Secy., Municipal Committee.

HORSES.—ARRIVAL of FRESH BATCHES of ARAB HORSES, per s.s. Simla and Satara, from BUSSORAH.—DINSHAW SUNTOOK and Co. present their compliments to their Constituents, and the Public in general, and beg respectfully to inform them that they have just received a new and best batch of Superior HIGH CASTE UNIZA and NUZDEE HORSES, consisting of good Chargers, Hunters, Racers, Galloways, Ponies, &c., belonging to different dealers.
Bhendy Bazar Commission Stable, No. 505, Oct. 13, 1884.

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ALCOCK, ASHDOWN, and HEPWORTH,
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26, Apollo-street, Bombay, 10th July, 1884.

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SIX different designs of INDIAN Views and Scenes, decorated with INDIAN Plants, etc., by an eminent artist, and beautifully executed in the highest style of Chromoprint by one of the greatest firms in Europe. Especially suited for sending home. Price of each Card, with envelope, Re 1 ; 12 Cards for Rs. 9, post free. 6 Cards for Rs. 5, post-free.
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With a splendid view of the Sea and Malabar Hill.

THIS Hotel has been lately enlarged and contains first-class accommodation for Visitors and Boarders. Comfort, Cleanliness and Civility.
TERMS MODERATE.
The Hotel being a detached building possesses every advantage.

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MESSRS. SINGER AND Co., of Coventry, have appointed TREACHER AND Co., Limited, SPECIAL AGENTS for their celebrated Tricycles and Bicycles. The superiority of workmanship and excellence of finish in these Machines are everywhere acknowledged.

	Cash Prices.
The APOLLO TRICYCLE, 48 inches	Rs. 350
The APOLLO GENERAL GEARED TRICYCLE, 48 inches	„ 350
The APOLLO SOCIABLE TRICYCLE, for two persons	„ 450
The No. 1 TRAVELLER „ 44 inches	„ 300
The TANDEM TRICYCLE, 48 inches	„ 435
The BRITISH CHALLENGE BICYCLE, 52 inches	„ 245
Do. do. PLATED BICYCLE, 52 inches	„ 290

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FOR CHEAP AND UNFAILING WATER SUPPLIES.

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ASQUITH AND LORD, the well-known SHIRT-MAKERS, have just received a fine Stock of all the newest and best materials for SHIRTS or SLEEPING SUITS, and they respectfully solicit orders for the same. Patterns and Catalogue will be sent on application.

PRICE LIST.

	Rs.	a.		Rs	a.
Best Coloured French Cambrics .....6 for	30	0	Best Coloured Zephyr Shirtings .....6 for	30	0
Best Oxford Cloth or Jute Mixture ... „	36	0	Best White or Coloured Spun Silks ... „	70	0
Unshrinkable Flannels ..... „	52	0	Unshrinkable Silk and Wool ..... „	52	0

Superior White Shirts with or without Collars attached.
Rs. 45, 56, 62, and 68 per dozen.

Travellers passing through Bombay can procure Shirts ready for immediate wear from any of the abovementioned materials.

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MESSRS. FAVRE-LEUBA and Co. have much pleasure to inform their numerous customers that they have just received a large supply of

PALANQUIN OR CARRIAGE CLOCKS
of the newest and most elegant designs.

FRENCH AND ENGLISH MARBLE CLOCKS.
A collection unequalled in India.

FRENCH AND ENGLISH FANCY CLOCKS.
Elegant, Fashionable, Useful.

All the above have been chosen by our Manager personally from the best manufactories of Paris and London, and intending purchasers will find with us a rare choice. The prices will be found to compare favorably with those of the best firms at home, while in quality they are at least of same standing.

Each clock is guaranteed for a term of 2 years. Carriage and Fancy clocks are fitted in a strong, well finished Morocco Case.

Nothing could be more appreciated and suitable for

WEDDING PRESENTS AND BIRTHDAY GIFTS.

FAVRE-LEUBA & CO.,
BOMBAY AND CALCUTTA.

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THE CASH BAZAAR, LIMITED

Beg to announce that they will hold
THEIR FIRST ANNUAL
GREAT CLEARANCE SALE,
COMMENCING ON MONDAY, THE 10TH NOVEMBER, 1884.
GREAT BARGAINS,
IMMENSE REDUCTIONS,
In all Departments of their
MAMMOTH STOCK.

GREAT REDUCTIONS in Hats and Bonnets.
GREAT REDUCTIONS in Washing Dress Fabrics.
GREAT REDUCTIONS in Laces.
GREAT REDUCTIONS in Shawls & Wraps.
GREAT REDUCTIONS in Boots & Shoes.
GREAT REDUCTIONS in Silks & Satins.
GREAT REDUCTIONS in Velvets.
GREAT REDUCTIONS all round.

GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR BARGAINS AND JOB LOTS.

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WM. SILLITOE, Secretary and Manager.

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THREE PRIZE MEDALS AND THREE DIPLOMAS
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WATCH-MANUFACTURERS, GOLDSMITHS, OPTICIANS, &c.,
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FOR Rs. 200 NET CASH
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Free by post, to any part of India, carefully packed,

A FIRST-RATE KEYLESS LEVER HUNTING WATCH in HEAVY 18-CARAT GOLD engine turned or plain case, with full jewelled movement, finest lever escapement, brequet hair spring and chronometer balance wheel, in polished walnut case, with spare glass and mainspring, and a three years' stamped guarantee.
Or in stout crystal fronted 18-CARAT GOLD case at Rs. 170, net cash.

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TERMS, Rs. 5 PER DAY.

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I have on two occasions since it was opened stayed at the Great Western Hotel, and have found it most comfortable. It is the cleanest and best Hotel in Bombay, and its situation commands it to those who like myself require to be near all the Public offices. E. M. PLAYFAIR, Major-General.

I have been very pleased with this Hotel. All my friends ought to stay here. WM. GREEN, J. P., Kidder Minster.

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BIRTHDAY PRESENTS.
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4to. Morocco, Rs. 24.

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4to. Calf, Rs. 24.

The "Castle" Album, containing 7 Chromolithographed pages, Floral, with views of Windsor, Edinburgh, Cahir, Caernarvon, Rochester, Stirling and Kenilworth Castles, and 33 plain pages, with openings for Cabinets and Carte de Visites.
4to. Calf, Padded. Rs. 21.

The "Belgravia" Album, containing 13 Chromolithographed pages of Birds and Flowers, and 36 plain, with openings for Cabinets and Carte de Visites.
4to. Morocco, Padded, Rs. 19.

&c. &c. &c.
Photo Frames, in Plush, Leather, Wood,
Fur, Velvet, &c., &c.
Ladies' Companions in great variety.

SILVER PLATED GOODS,
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The experience of nearly thirty years proves that
S. ROSE AND CO.'S
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WE GUARANTEE EACH PIANO. { "This piano was awarded a first-class certificate and medal of the Calcutta Exhibition." } WE GUARANTEE EACH PIANO.

S. ROSE & Co., have supplied many hundreds of their noted Sympathetic Grand Square Pianofortes to residents in all parts of India. No one instance has occurred of a "Sympathetic" having given way ; of course the action and mechanism will wear ; but S. ROSE & Co., have seen "Sympathetics" which, after twenty years' use, have, after the entire action has been renewed, been as rich and beautiful in tone as when quite new.

All parts of the instrument have been studiously cared for in the manufacture ; the external case being of solid mahogany, with ornamental fret work at the openings. In regard to tone and touch it is a first-rate instrument.

The term "Sympathetic" was first used to designate the character of tone. The term has been made use of by others without scruple, and many purchasers have paid for "Sympathetics" of a most doubtful quality, and which are not entitled to the name ; but are merely inferior imitations.

Cash price, in solid Mahogany Case ... ... Rs. 850
„ „ in solid Ebonized „ ... ... „ 900

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S. ROSE & CO., BOMBAY.

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MILITARY SQUARE, BOMBAY.
SHERRIES.

On a purchase of *three cases* and upwards of one or different brands we allow a Cash Discount of 12½ per cent., equal to 2 annas in the Rupee, off our Credit rates.

Per single case at 5 % only.

Cash. Rs.	as.		Credit. Rs.	as.
17	2	PALE MEDIUM DRY. An excellent Wine for General use ..... Black Capsule	18	0
21	0	VINO DE PASTO. Remarkably soft and dry, a useful Dinner Wine ..... Green „	22	0
22	0	MANZANILLA, pure natural ..... Yellow „	23	0
25	11	IMPERIAL OLOROSO. A superior old Wine, very dry and fragrant ... Purple „	27	0
29	8	AMOROSO. A rich nutty dessert Wine, possessing the celebrated old Cayeza CZ character, well adapted for India ..... Red Capsule	31	0
36	2	AMONTILLADO FINO. Exceedingly choice with great aroma ..... White „	38	0

CLARETS AND BURGUNDIES.

Per single case 5 % only.

Cash. Rs.	A.		Per case Credit. Rs.	A.
11	8	* BORDEAUX, a light Wine, with good flavour ..... Gold Capsule	12	0
14	8	* MEDOC SUPERIEUR, a nice soft Wine, and *highly recommended* ..... Black „	15	0
17	4	* Sr. EMILION, rich full flavoured Wine ..... Blue „	18	0
21	0	* St. JULIEN, an elegant Wine, possessing fine bouquet ..... Violet „	22	0
22	13	* CHATEAU LAROSE, a very delicate silky Wine ..... Pink „	24	0
26	10	* CHATEAU MARGAUX, a delicious after-dinner Wine ..... Yellow „	28	0
28	8	* CHATEAU LEOVILLE, soft with rich bouquet ..... Green „	30	0
33	4	* CHATEAU LAFITE, very choice and possessing great body and fragrance ..... Red „	35	0

BORDEAUX—WHITE.

17	2	* BARSAC, delicate flavour ..... Yellow Capsule	18	0
22	12	* HAUT SAUTERNE, very choice ..... Gold „	24	0

BURGUNDIES—RED.

17	4	* Beaune, much recommended ..... Violet Capsule	18	0
22	0	* Volnay, a soft silky Wine ..... Green Capsule	23	0
29	8	* Chambertin, full-bodied with rich bouquet ..... Red Capsule	31	0

BURGUNDIES—WHITE.

17	0	* Chablis, light delicate ..... Yellow Capsule	18	0
24	12	* Meursault, soft and fragrant ..... Gold Capsule ...	26	0

* Wines in Pints Rs. 2 extra per case of 2 dozens.

Sherries and Clarets in Wood Prices on application.

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CAWNPORE-ACHNERA STATE RAILWAY.
NOTICE.

THE public are advised that this line is now again OPEN for through booking of all kinds of traffic, and that trains will resume running according to published time table.

W. J. CHAMBERLANE,
Traffic Supdt.
Traffic Supdt.'s Office, Cawnpore, 1st November, 1884.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned for the ERECTION of BUSINESS PREMISES in Hornby-row.

The drawings, specifications and estimates can be inspected at the offices of Messrs. GOSTLING & MORRIS, Architects, where forms of tender can be obtained on payment of Rs. 3.

No tender will be received later than SATURDAY, the 22nd instant, at 2 p.m.

The undersigned does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

JAMSETJEE N. TATA,
Victoria Buildings, Fort.
Bombay, Nov. 6, 1884.

WANTED, TWO CASHIERS on the temporary Establishment for the office of the Executive Engineer, Nira Canal

One, on a salary of Rs. 65, including Travelling allowance, from whom security in cash or Government promissory notes to the extent of Rs. 1,000 will be required;

and

One, on a salary of Rs. 55, including Travelling allowance, from whom security in cash or Government promissory notes to the extent of Rs. 1,000 will be required.

2. Applications with testimonials should be forwarded to the undersigned before the 20th November, 1884.

C. T. BURKE, B.E.,
Executive Engineer, Nira Canal.
Office of the Executive Engineer, Nira Canal, Virwadi, *via* Shirwal, 4th November.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE is hereby given that a SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the members of the Chamber of Commerce will be held THIS DAY, at 5 o'clock p.m., to transact the following business:—

I. To consider the correspondence which has passed between the Committee and the Bombay Native Piecegoods Merchants' Association on the subject of surveys of piece-goods; and to approve of the proposals therein made for the conduct of such surveys.

II. To confirm the addition to the tonnage scale of the article Cotton Seed, in accordance with the ascertained measurement.

By order of the Committee,
J. GORDON,
Secretary.
Chamber of Commerce, Bombay, 6th Nov., 1884.

NOTICE is hereby given that KHOJA DATOO ALLOO has contracted to SELL to MEMON EBRAHIM HAJEE ESMAIL the undermentioned property. All persons or person having any claim or claims against the said property by way of gift, sale, mortgage, lien or otherwise, are or is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office in Church-gate-street, No. 19, Fort, within fourteen days from the date hereof; otherwise the sale will be completed without regard to such claim if there be any.

All and singular the plant, machinery, boiler, engine, mill, wells, furnace, tackle, gear and all the fixtures, furniture, articles and things belonging or appertaining to a Flour Mill commonly called or known as the "Empress Victoria Flour Mill," situate or erected in a house No. 22, Osmerarry Jail-road, outside the Fort of Bombay, and which house belongs to Cursetjee Byramjee Gorewala, Cowasjee Byramjee Gorewala, and Manackshá Dosabhoy Gorewalla.—Dated this 6th day of November, 1884.

BOMANJEE & HOLMA SJEE,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

THE LAXAMIDAS KHIMJI SPINNING & WEAVING COMPANY, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FIRST ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of the above Company will be held at the registered Office of the Company, No. 6, Elphinstone Circle, Fort, on THURSDAY, the 13th instant, at 1 p m., for the purpose of transacting the following business:—

1st.—To receive the Directors' Report and the audited Balance Sheet made up to 30th June, 1884.

2nd.—To appoint Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election.

3rd.—To appoint Auditors for the ensuing year and to fix their remuneration.

4th.—To transact any other business which may be brought before the Meeting.

By order of the Board of Directors,
લખમીદાસ ખીમજી, સન્સ, અને કંપની,
i.e., LAKHMIDAS KHIMJI, SONS, & Co.,
Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents.
Bombay, 5th November, 1884.

SALES BY AUCTION.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON AND COMPANY.
No. 4, FORBES AND MEADOW-STREETS.

The sale of the remaining stock of Stores, &c., will be resumed from lot No. 296 THIS DAY, THURSDAY, the 6th inst., at 2 p.m., in shop of Messrs. Pochajee Framjee & Co., No. 27, Apollo-street, Fort.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & CO.
Bombay, 6th November, 1884.

NOTICES.

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ESTATE OF MAJOR F. G. F. MOORE.

ALL PERSONS having claims against the Estate of F. G. F. MOORE, late a Major in 2nd Battn. Royal Fusiliers, who died at Bellary, Madras Presidency, on the 30th September, 1883, are requested to apply to Mr. U. J. C. TURNER, Administrator, within one month from the date hereof, after which no claims will be admitted, and those that are indebted to the estate are requested forthwith to communicate with the undersigned.

GRINDLAY & Co.
Calcutta, 1st November, 1884.

NOTICE.

ANYONE having any claims against the estate of Mr. JOHN HENRY JACKSON, deceased, Mine Captain, late in the employ of the Nerooda Coal and Iron Company, Limited, Moppani, Gadarwarra, C. P., are requested to forward the same to the undersigned within one month of this date, otherwise the claims will not be recognized.

Also any person owing money to this estate must pay the same within one month of this date, otherwise legal proceedings will be taken to recover the same.

By order of the Executors, under the will of deceased
J. A. MAUGHAN,
JOHN E. TYERS,
Moppani, Gadarwarra, C. P.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.
SUIT No. 137 OF 1881.

PESTONJEE BEJUNJEE and RUSTOMJEE BEJUNJEE, of Bombay, Parsee inhabitants, residing at Dhunjee Doongersi-street, outside the Fort of Bombay, administrators of the estate and effects of the late BEJUNJEE FURDOONJEE, deceased .....Plaintiffs.

vs.

ABDOOL RAHIMAN bin SHAIK BUDOO, of Bombay, Mahomedan inhabitant, residing at Bangalpoora-street, outside the Fort of Bombay .....Defendant.

PURSUANT to the Decretal Order made in the above suit and bearing date the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, the following immovable property WILL BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION in one lot before G. H. FARRAN, Esquire, Acting Commissioner of this Honourable Court, at his office in the Court House, on WEDNESDAY, the twenty-sixth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon.

PARTICULARS.

All the estate and interest of the abovenamed plaintiffs and of the abovenamed defendant or any of them in the premises hereinafter described—that is to say, All that messuage, tenement or dwelling house, hereditaments and premises built on Government ground, situate, lying and being without the Fort of Bombay, in the Bangalpoora-street, in the subdistrict of Mandvee, fronting Bangalpoora-street, on the west side, which are now in the occupation of the said Abdool Rahiman bin Shaik Budoo, and formerly assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 29 and now under No. 35, and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 439, and bounded on the east by a public gutter or sweeper's passage, on the west by the said Bangalpoora-street, on the north formerly by the house of Hoosein Bailoo Rajpoorker and now by the house of Borah Akbur Alli Sumso-din, and on the south by the house of Ameen Vullud Baba Mikee, which said premises are described in the said mortgage and decree as containing by admeasurement sixty-four and seven-ninths square yards, whereas the said premises as contained within the boundaries aforesaid do actually contain one hundred and thirty-six and three-ninths square yards according to the plan thereof which has been prepared by the direction of the Commissioner in whose office it is now lying. For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made at the office of the COMMISSIONER in the Court House and at the office of Messrs. MACFARLANE and EDGELOW, Attorneys for the Plaintiffs, at No. 15, Hampart Row, Fort, Bombay.—Dated the 27th day of September, 1884.

G. H. FARRAN,
Acting Commissioner.

LAYS OF THE LAW.

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NOTICE.

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2. Samples of articles can be seen, and forms of Tenders obtained, on application at the Government Medical Stores.

3. Tenders with samples of the articles to be supplied duly signed, sealed, and endorsed "Tenders for Tinware articles" will be received by the undersigned on the 15th November, 1884, at 12 noon.

4. No tender will be received or attended to after the date and hour above given.

5. A Security Deposit on acceptance of the Tender must be furnished to the extent of 20 per cent. of the estimated value of the contract.

6. No reason will be assigned for the rejection of the lowest or any tender.

W. DYMOCK, Surgeon-Major.
Principal Medical Storekeeper.
Bombay, 23rd October, 1884.

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NOTICE is hereby given, that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Cash Bazaar, Limited, will be held at the Offices of Messieurs Mackellar, Inverarity & Co., Rampart Row, Bombay, on MONDAY, the 10th day of November, 1884, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of confirming the following Special Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on Friday, the 24th instant:—

RESOLUTION—

That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following:—

The following clauses shall be inserted after clause 7 in Article 95, namely—

"7 A—They may from time to time at their discretions borrow from the Directors, Members, or other Persons any sum or sums of money for the purposes of the Company."

"7 B—They may raise or secure the repayment of such monies in such manner and upon such terms and conditions in all respects as they think fit, and in particular by mortgage or charge of all or any part of the property of the Company."

By order of the Board of Directors,
WM. SILLITOE,
Manager and Secretary.
Dated this 27th day of October, 1884.

NOTICE.

BAI MANECKBAI, widow of JEHANGIR NUSSERWANJEE WADIA, deceased.

PURSUANT to Act XXVIII. of 1866 of the Legislative Council of India, entitled "The Trustees and Mortgagees' Powers Act, 1866." Notice is hereby given that all persons being creditors of, or otherwise having any claims against the estate of MANECKBAI, widow of the late Jehangir Nusserwanjee Wadia, of Bombay, Parsi inhabitant, deceased, who died at Bombay, aforesaid on the 24th day of July, 1884, and Probate of whose will was on the 9th day of October, 1884, granted by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay to NUSSERWANJEE JEHANGIRJEE WADIA, of Bombay, Parsi inhabitant, Esquire, merchant, are required to send to the said executor at his office at No. 5, Parsi Bazaar-street, within the Fort of Bombay, on or before the 17th day of November, 1884, the particulars of their claims, after which date the said executor will distribute the whole of the assets of the said deceased, having regard only to the claims of which he, the said executor, shall then have notice. All persons indebted to the deceased's estate are requested to pay belonging thereto in their hands are hereby required to pay their debts and to hand over such property to the said executor.—Dated this 16th day of October, 1884.

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BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Meeting, Chamber of Commerce, 5 p.m.

VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessels arrived on the 4th:—Cutch (s), from Hull; Adria (s), Jeddah. Yesterday:—Nubia (s) from Glasgow; and Bhownuggur (s), Bhownuggur.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed yesterday:—Euphrates (s), for Kurrachee; City of Manchester (s), Jeddah; Hindoostan (s), Marseilles; and Sirsa (s), Calcutta.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The s. s. Nubia entered the dock yesterday.

THE B. B. AND C. I. RAILWAY.—The approximate return of traffic for the week ending the 1st inst. shows an increase in receipts of Rs. 45,125.

ARRIVAL OF HORSES.—A batch of one hundred and seventy horses was landed on Tuesday at the Carnac-bunder, and taken to different stables at Bhendy-bazaar and Bellasis-road.

REPORTED THEFT.—Bujmohundas Kissondass, living in a bungalow at the back of the Walkeshwur police chowkey, reports the theft of a tin box containing a pair of gold bangles and a gold neck-ornament, of the value of Rs. 425, from his premises on Tuesday last.

THE BOMBAY HOMŒOPATHIC CHARITABLE DISPENSARY.—The total attendance of patients during the month of October was 2,215, consisting of 1,129 males, 630 females, and 456 children, out of which 1,066 were Hindoos, 1,034 Parsees, 72 Musulmans, 14 Christians, and 29 others. The daily average was 71·4516.

THE ORIENTAL LIFE OFFICE.—As the result of last month's operations conducted by the various agents of the Oriental Life Assurance Company, we learn that the head office received 190 proposals for Rs. 5,83,500, which, when compared with 131 proposals for Rs. 4,04,000 received during the corresponding period of last year, is a very satisfactory increase.—*Daily Post*, Oct. 31.

THEFT.—Atmaram Balloo, a domestic servant, was yesterday convicted by M

THE VICEREGAL COUNCIL.

THE Council met at Government House, Simla, on Thursday, the 23rd October, His Excellency the Viceroy presiding.

PANCH MAHALS LAWS BILL.

The Hon'ble Mr. Ilbert moved for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law in force in the Panch Mahals. He said :—This Bill has been prepared at the request of the Government of Bombay. The territory known as the Panch Mahals is at present one of the scheduled districts in that Presidency, and the object of this measure is to regulationize it and to assimilate the law in force in it to that in the neighbouring Kaira district.

The motion was put and agreed to.

INDIAN RAILWAYS BILL.

The Hon'ble Mr. Hope moved for leave to introduce a Bill to amend and consolidate the law regulating the construction and working of Railways. He said :—We have at present, as the Council are aware, a certain amount of law relating to railways. This law, however, may be said to be not only of a very scant and meagre nature, but also to relate almost exclusively to the actual conditions of the working of railways as between the railway companies and the public; that is to say, it chiefly relates, speaking very broadly, to various acts on the part of one or the other, all of which conduce more or less to the satisfactory carrying on of the railway business from day to day. Besides this, however, there are many other branches of the question which our law—I can only speak broadly in a sketch of this kind—does not touch at all. I may illustrate these branches by mentioning some of them, namely, the nature of the numerous obligations of a company in constructing a line and also in working it, in order to ensure its safety and convenience; to secure due accommodation for landholders on both sides of the line and protection of their rights; to enforce proper enquiries into the various questions, or the accidents, which may arise; to regulate rates and fares so that the public shall not be at the mercy of the companies as powerful monopolists; to provide for the systematic keeping of accounts in the interests both of the Government, which, I am sorry to say, still very often has to guarantee the railway companies, and also of the shareholders themselves. All these and various other matters, of more or less importance, have hitherto been provided for in the best way possible in the contracts between the Government and the companies, or by departmental rules and regulations. As regards State Railways, however, such matters have been entirely within the discretion of the Executive Government. These contracts have been found in the course of years to be often incomplete or obscure; each new railway which has been established or guaranteed has got for itself a separate contract, the result being that there is a very considerable amount of difference in each regarding matters of the same nature, which ought to be dealt with uniformly in all cases. Besides this, we have been urged by several of the large Railway Administrations to introduce an Arbitration Act for the settlement of differences which occasionally arise between them, owing principally to the large increase in the interchange of railway traffic in India, which is likely still to develop further with the growth of railway systems. Experience has also shown the necessity for a compulsory reference to arbitration in certain cases, where the continuance of disputes is likely to be prejudicial to the interests of the public. This is, I think, a general description of the Bill which I am moving for leave to introduce, sufficient to satisfy the Council that some legislation is desirable. As regards the further steps to be taken, I have only to say that it is not contemplated to introduce the Bill at the presented time. The rough draft of the Bill has been prepared in the Public Works Department, and all provisions in the existing contracts and in Indian Acts or English Statutes or Bills which appeared suitable have been embodied in it. What is contemplated is that this draft shall be referred to the various Local Governments, Chambers of Commerce and Railway Administrations throughout India before its introduction into the Council. I hope to be able, if the Council agree to the motion now before them, to introduce a considerably amended draft in the course of the current session at Calcutta, after we have received and considered the various opinions which are to be called for on the measure in the manner I have indicated.

The Hon'ble Mr. Ilbert said :—My hon'ble friend Mr. Hope has explained that the draft which he proposes to circulate for criticism is merely a rough draft prepared by the Public Works Department. It has not yet been considered in the Legislative Department, and it will have to be very carefully scrutinized in that Department before it is introduced into this Council. I have read the draft somewhat hastily, and have made some suggestions as to the form of arrangement of the clauses; but the Bill raises a good many difficult questions, some of which I should like to have a further opportunity of considering, and which the Council will be in a better position to consider after the draft has received that external criticism to which Mr. Hope has explained that he proposes to submit it.

His Excellency the President said :—The remarks that have fallen from my hon'ble friends, Mr. Hope and Mr. Ilbert, will show that in giving my assent to the introduction of this Bill I am in no way committed to any provisions which it may contain, and which, as Mr. Hope has explained, are at present only in rough draft, and therefore not in a condition to be submitted to me. I entirely agree that it is desirable to consolidate and amend the law relating to railways in this country in various ways; and I am very glad to find that Mr. Hope proposes to consult public bodies and persons interested in railways, either as shareholders, managers of companies, or on behalf of the public, before the Bill is introduced into this Council. I will, of course, before its introduction, be submitted to my successor, Lord Dufferin, who will by that time have assumed the office of Viceroy; and for myself I have only to say that I agree that a Bill for consolidating and amending the law regarding railways in India is undoubtedly needed.

The motion was put and agreed to.

LORD DUFFERIN ON INDIA.

THE Earl of Dufferin arrived in Belfast on Oct. 13 from London. He proceeded by special train to Bangor, and from that town he drove to Clandeboye, where, during the day, he was presented with an address by his tenantry. The Rev. John Quartz read the address, which referred in very high terms to Lord Dufferin's services as a diplomatist, and to the very high esteem in which he was held by all his tenantry. In the course of his reply, his Excellency assured his tenantry that he was deeply touched by the great honour they had done him, and the pleasure they had conferred upon him by their presence. When one was on the eve of taking an important step, and of separating himself for a long period of years from all the associations of his early life, they might be sure he was in a very earnest frame of mind. He could not but think of the uncertainties of life, and wonder if he was ever again to be so pleasantly surrounded by his friends as at that moment. They might, however, be quite sure that he had no dearer desire or greater ambition than to come back to his own home, not having done anything undeserving of their approval, in the hope of spending that repose in the midst of them which he thought he would then have fairly earned, and of endeavouring to discharge those duties which were incumbent upon him in his native country. Shortly afterwards the company separated.

LORD DUFFERIN was entertained at a banquet in the Ulster Hall, Belfast, on Wednesday, October 15, prior to his departure for India to undertake the duties of Viceroy. Among those present were many noblemen and gentlemen from the most distant parts of the country, including Lord Templetown, Lord de Ros, Lord Clanmorris, Sir Thomas Bateson, M. P., Mr. Justice Andrews, Sir E. P. Cowan, Viscount Bangor, Mr. Findlater, M. P., Mr. Corry, M. P., Mr. Dickson, M. P., Lord Ashley, the Bishop of Down, Lord Waveney, Sir Hervey Bruce, M. P., Sir Thomas M'Clure, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Down, Sir Charles Lanyon, Sir John Preston, Mr. Thompson, M. P., Mr. Mulholland, M. P., and others. The Mayor of Belfast, Sir David Taylor, presided. The usual loyal toasts were given and enthusiastically received.

The Mayor next gave the health of the guest of the evening, and the toast was received with great enthusiasm.

Lord Dufferin, after acknowledging the manner in which the toast had been received, and after referring to the many occasions upon which, during the last thirty years, he had appeared before them only to receive fresh proofs of their goodwill and indulgent sympathy, said,—Least of all can I forget that memorable night when, on the eve of my departure for Canada, this splendid chamber was filled with friends who had assembled together to bid me God-speed, and to assure me that, in the opinion of those who had known me best and longest, the honour then conferred upon me by Her Majesty was not considered misplaced or undeserved. (Cheers.) That occasion ushered in the brightest and happiest period of my life, a period passed in one of the fairest regions within the confines of the Empire among a people animated by the most generous instincts, endowed with all the noblest gifts and qualities which distinguish the British race, and to whom I owe a debt of gratitude and affection whose welcome burden I shall carry to the grave. Since that auspicious celebration twelve years have passed, during which in different capacities I have done my best to render faithful and loyal service to my Queen and country (cheers), and now again that I am about to proceed to a distant land to undertake a task more arduous, more responsible, and, I may add, more honourable than any which has ever been imposed on me, can it be wondered at if, like the hero of old who was invincible so long as he was in contact with his mother earth, I come back here among you to gather fresh strength and vigour, and renew my youth by once more looking around on your familiar faces, by listening to your genial words of welcome and encouragement, and by taking a farewell grasp of your thousand friendly hands. (Cheers.) His lordship continued—I cannot help being aware that the unanimity with which you, who sometimes are temporarily divided by differences of opinion in the fields both of political and of religious thought (hear, hear), have been pleased to hail my nomination as Viceroy of India—the cordial acceptation with which my appointment has been endorsed, and which it would be an affectation as well as an act of ingratitude on my part not to recognize and take pride in, is a condition of public sentiment which can never again recur to me (cheers)—never again, I fear, no matter what my efforts or exertions, can I hope so completely to unite in their pleasant, harmonious concord the suffrages of my countrymen. The Government of India is not only a laborious task; it is one presenting problems of the very greatest doubt and intricacy from day to day. The most complex questions are submitted to the attention of the Executive, which, from their very nature, are incapable of an altogether satisfactory solution, and in regard to which the choice lies, not between the absolutely good and the absolutely bad, but is dependent upon such a delicate comparison of advantage and disadvantage upon either side as to render it very difficult for even those who have every opportunity of acquainting themselves with the elements of the case to discriminate between them. Out of these circumstances must arise a vast amount of intelligent and conscientious criticism, and while on the one hand it can scarcely be expected that he who is ultimately responsible for what happens will be invariably in the right, it is certain that he will frequently appear to many intelligent observers to be altogether in the wrong. Hence it must inevitably follow that very conflicting estimates will be formed of the success with which the Governor-General of the day is conducting the arduous administration over which he presides. Nor is he in any way entitled either to deprecate the most searching examinations into his conduct or to be irritated at the blunt and angry criticisms to which he may be exposed. All regard to his personal susceptibilities will naturally be postponed and disappear in the presence of the enormous interests which are at stake and which affect at the same time the happiness of millions of our fellow-subjects in India itself, and nearly touch the honour, the conscience, and the safety of that Imperial Power to whom Providence has intrusted the superintendence of their destinies. (Cheers.) All that a person in such a situation can demand is that one thing, and one thing alone, should be remembered in mitigation of any impending condemnation which public opinion may be disposed to pass upon his conduct, and that is that he is the man upon the spot, that he is the man who must know a great deal more intimately than anybody else what may be the requirements of the situation (hear, hear); that there may be many a consideration present to his mind possessing the most cogent force which is naturally hidden from the gaze of those who are watching the drama from a distance (hear, hear); that the temporary puffs and flaws of fleeting public opinion are not always a true indication of the direction in which the wind is blowing; and that it is but just and fair to credit your servant to whom you have once given your confidence at least with the presumption of being the best judge, unless he is shown to reasonable demonstration. (Cheers.) Above all, let me remind you that when dealing with such vast subjects as those which occupy the statesman of Calcutta, when handling the tremendous forces which are at the disposal of the Indian Government, the vast and multitudinous political systems which exist within the borders of the Indian peninsula, when endeavouring to mould by slow and cautious efforts the most ancient, the most continuous, and the most artificially organized civilization to be found on the face of the earth into forms that shall eventually harmonize more and more with those conceptions which the progress of science and the result of experience have shown to be conducive to human happiness, the result of the ruler's exertions and the flower of his achievements are seldom perceptible at the moment, but far more frequently bring forth their fruit long after those that tilled the field and sowed the seed have rested from their unrecognized and sometimes depreciated labours. ("Hear, hear," and cheers.) The days when great reputations were to be made in India are happily, perhaps, completely passed at those in which great fortunes were accumulated. Famous Indian pro-Consuls are no longer required by their superiors or compelled by circumstances to extend their empire by the annexation of provinces, the overthrow of dynasties, the revolutionizing of established systems, and all those dramatic performances which invariably characterize the founding and consolidation of newborn empires. The days of successors must be content with the less ambitious and more homely, but equally important and beneficent, work of justifying the splendid achievements of those who have gone before them by the careful and painstaking elaboration of such practical, educational, and political, and social arrangements as shall bring happiness, peace, contentment, and security alike to the cabin doors of the humble ryot, to the mansions of the loyal upcountry Indian nobleman, the Indian settler, and to the palace-gates of Her Majesty's honoured allies and princely feudatories. (Cheers.) So convinced am I, indeed, of the truth of what I say that I imagine that the greatest success and triumph I can obtain on my return to India, and I depart from these shores and wave a grateful response to the farewell you are saying to me to-night, even the echo of my name may never be wafted to your ears until the end of my official term I stand again among you, having won from the historian of the day no higher encomium or recognition than that my administration was uneventful, but that I had kept the Empire intrusted to my keeping tranquil and prosperous. (Loud cheers.) Nor let it be imagined that this humble programme is not enough to exhaust the energies and strain to the utmost the abilities and statesmanship of India's most experienced servants and England's most wise counsellors. (Hear, hear.) I can go very fast with us nowadays, and the changes in their conditions and relations are as multiplex and instantaneous as those in a kaleidoscope. Yesterday India was remote, impenetrable, removed from disturbing influences of foreign contact. To-day we have a European neighbour on our north-western frontier, and before long we may have another on our eastern boundary. Happily I have the good fortune to be united to the Foreign Minister of Russia by the ties of personal intimacy and regard. I am convinced that a more moderate-minded, wise, and unaggressive statesman does not breathe in all Europe. I believe his great desire is that Russia should live in amity with England (hear, hear), and that no causes of disagreement and suspicion should be generated in Central Asia between the two countries. (Hear, hear.) He has more than once assured me that he looks upon the future progress of Russia in a south-easterly direction with regret, and that his most earnest wish is for such a condition of affairs to come into existence as should impose upon that expansion its natural and permanent limits. I rejoice to think that the task which falls to my lot to co-operate with a personal friend in arriving at this desirable and necessary result. (Hear, hear.) Nor within the confines of India itself have matters ever been in a more satisfactory state. The spread of education and the extension of railways, the congestion of populations, slow moving as are the habits of Indian thought and sentiment, have created new requirements and demands and fresh readjustments, the successful accomplishment of which will call for the most extensive knowledge and the acutest insight. But it would be altogether inappropriate at to-night's celebration to trouble you with the crude speculations of one who is still an outsider and a neophyte in regard to Indian politics. Yet in one respect, at all events, I am to be congratulated, and it is this—that when I come to address myself to the study of these subjects I shall be assisted by as able a body of public servants, both English and native, as has ever been at the disposal of any ruler. (Cheers.) I believe that the Civil Service of India is unrivalled for integrity, intelligence, loyalty, and a sense of public duty, and probably nothing has contributed more effectually to impress it with these characteristics than the recruits it has received from Ireland, and especially from Ulster. (Loud cheers.) I might perhaps be straining our native privilege too far if I connected Wellington with the Civil Service, though India's greatest soldier was a civil servant, and some of her ablest civil administrators have been soldiers. But keeping within the letter of the allusion, where has there existed a more capable and benevolent representative of the Crown than the Marquis Wellesley? (Cheers.) What Governor-General has ever so captivated the affections of the Indian people as Lord Mayo? (Cheers.) What statesman in either hemisphere can point to such an heroic record as that of the immortal Lawrence? (Cheers.) Where can you find a name surrounded by a brighter halo of blameless fame and honour than that of Sir Robert Montgomery? (Cheers.) But after all these are but the fortunate few whom accident and happy chance, seconding their inherent merits and native genius, have made known to the world. Behind and beyond these there are hundreds and hundreds of other noble and high-minded officials, unknown and unrewarded, who in the solitude of their several districts, burdened with enormous responsibilities, compelled to sacrifice almost everything that renders human life delightful, are faithfully expending their existence for their Queen, for their country, and for those committed to their charge, with nothing but their conscience to sustain them, reinforced by the conviction which is inherent in every Briton's breast, that the sense of having done one's duty is better than riches or fame, than honours, or popular approbation. (Loud cheers.) It is to join these men that I go, and though I dare say there may be many among them superior to myself in ability, as they all must be in experience, one thing I can promise you, that neither during my term of office lived and laboured and who have disappeared from the scene, nor among those who are still working for the good of England and of India, will any have set forth more determined to walk fearlessly and faithfully in the unpretending paths of duty. (Cheers.) What the future may bring forth none can foretell, but of this at least you may be sure, that no act or thought of mine shall be unworthy of my country and its sovereign. (Loud cheers.)

His Excellency subsequently referred to the reported death of Colonel Stewart, and said that Colonel Stewart was one of the most heroic and noble individuals with whom it had ever been his good fortune to come into contact. During the period he spent at Constantinople he became acquainted with Colonel Stewart's exceptional qualities. Colonel Stewart had served under his orders in Asia Minor and again in Egypt. He was sent out by her Majesty's Government in a diplomatic capacity with orders to repair to Khartoum, to report on the condition of affairs which he found there. It was a matter of astonishment to him (the noble earl) to hear of Colonel Stewart's reported death, and he was happy to think that he had recorded, in an official despatch, the capacity, the industry, and the ability with which, under most unpropitious circumstances, that noble officer discharged the task entrusted to him. Colonel Stewart sent home a series of despatches which are unrivalled for their lucidity, for the mass of complicated information which they conveyed, and the noble spirit of humanity which they breathed. It was a melancholy pleasure to him—if indeed it was true that they must give up the hope of ever seeing Colonel Stewart again—to have that opportunity of paying a public tribute to his memory.

OPENING OF THE INDIAN INSTITUTE AT OXFORD.

THE Indian Institute was opened at Oxford, on October 14, in the presence of the Vice-Chancellor, the Proctors, and a large audience.

In his address, the Boden Professor of Sanskrit (Mr. Monier Williams) said that they were met to impart the first pulsations of life to the stone building in which they were assembled by making the institute begin its appointed work—the work of facilitating Indian studies; the work of producing a better appreciation of the languages, literatures, and industries of India; the work of qualifying young Englishmen for Indian careers, and of qualifying young Indians to serve their own country effectively. It had been said, why spend so much money on bricks and mortar? Why give stones when knowledge was asked for? But it was forgotten that a material centre was essential to all educational work. The Professor then expressed his belief that those who had intrusted him with the management of the funds so generously subscribed towards the Indian Institute would also wish to intrust him with the first utterances within its walls, and would be pleased that his first words were uttered in an attempt to reply to the question, "How could the University of Oxford best fulfil her duty towards India?" This was a question the solution of which the peculiar circumstances of our position in India made it impossible for a great national University to evade. Statistics proved that out of the total number of 903 members of the Covenanted Civil Service appointed from 1856 to 1879 at least 618 were University men. Hence it followed that a large number of the rulers of India were brought under the training of the University. Our position in India was not that of colonists. The climate was fatal to the existence in an unmixed condition of any Anglo-Saxon settlers for more than two or three generations. We were present in India as rulers and administrators, and as nothing more. The only parallel case was the occupation of Britain by the Romans; but the native population of England at that time could scarcely have exceeded a million, whereas the native population of India had risen to 254 millions, while scattered among these overwhelming masses were the ruling class of, at most, 140,000 Britons—civilians and military men all told—and of these little more than 900 members of the covenanted service were the actual administrators of the government of the country. This scattering of a few selected British rulers over the surging ocean of Indian life was like choosing 900 scientific men, dotting them about in small ships on the surface of the Atlantic, and requiring them by the application of chemical oils to maintain smooth water amid storm-driven waves and conflicting currents. When these men arrived in India—sometimes before the age of 20—they had to choose between becoming judges or collectors, and in ten or 12 years afterwards the welfare of perhaps a million souls might depend on their administrative energy and ability. It might happen that a youth who in England would never have risen above mediocrity might become a Commissioner, a Lieutenant-Governor, a Governor, or even by a remote possiblity Governor-General of all India. How important was it to send out such men well educated according to the true sense of the word; and where could a better training be had than at our Universities? Nowhere else was the whole man better drawn out into well-balanced and symmetrical proportions; nowhere else was there the same wholesome attrition and collision between opposite characters and varying intellects. It was on this account that the Government encouraged the Indian Civil Service probationers—who were selected at an annual competitive examination in London—to place themselves under University discipline. They might choose any one of eight Universities. Those who elected to come to Oxford were very imperfectly subject to the rules of the University, and derived little benefit from University life. They had to serve two masters, and their London masters were the more exacting. They were not required to pass the University examinations, or to take their degrees, or to carry away with them any University stamp of any kind. The professor thought that if the present low limit of age (17½ to 19½) was retained for the competitive examination, every selected candidate should be required to reside for three years (instead of two) at a University. No option should be allowed, but every one should be compelled to take his degree of B. A. at the end of that period. He trusted that the time might not be far distant when the Civil Service Commissioners would consent to leave the proficiency of the Indian probationers to be tested by the Universities, and might accept their examinations in lieu of all, or at least of some of those now conducted in London. The University had established special honour schools of mathematics, natural science, law, history, and theology. It had provided special teachers for the Indian Civilians. It ought now to establish two other honour schools—a school of Oriental languages, and a school of Modern Indian languages. The Indian vernaculars were neglected and suffered to deteriorate by the Government Universities in India, but their cultivation ought to be encouraged by Oxford. The masses in India could only be educated and civilized through the medium of the spoken languages. It was the duty of Oxford to help in training all intended for Indian careers—not merely the selected Indian Civilians, but chaplains, doctors, lawyers, military men, and others. There was an Oxford Mission at Calcutta which aimed at influencing the higher thought and culture of the educated classes. The Professor had seen the members of the mission at their work, and was impressed by the reality of its reality, but thought they would be better prepared for coping with the subtle arguments of Pundits had Oxford a Reader in Indian philosophy, who would lecture on its relation to the philosophical and religious thought of Europe. It was also the duty of Oxford to give some knowledge of India to its ordinary students, who might, as members of Parliament, exercise control over the destinies of India. Formerly, in the absence of telegraphy, Indian administrators were allowed much independence. Now, the interposition of Parliament caused administrative complications. How important was it that the members of Parliament should have some, at least, fairly correct notions about India! The Indian Institute was to be a centre of union, inquiry, and instruction for all interested in Indian studies, or preparing for Indian careers. Its lecture-rooms, library, and museum were by their intercommunication to aid and illustrate each other. The Professor had received grants and gifts of Indian books and manuscripts nearly sufficient to fill the library, and grants and gifts of objects more than sufficient to fill the half of the museum now finished. Some had supposed that the Indian Institute was intended only for Indians. This was as great a mistake as to suppose it was intended only for Englishmen. The Professor, while in India, had proposed to the Viceroy that the Institute should form a home for deserving natives, who would be supported there by Government scholarships. Lord Ripon had agreed to his proposal, but Lord Kimberley, while sanctioning the scholarships had refused to attach them to any particular institution. It was to be hoped that the scholars would still be attracted to the Oxford Indian Institute. Professor Monier Williams concluded by expressing his hope that a spirit of friendly co-operation would animate all who had to teach within its walls, and that the day of small beginnings would increase to the brightness till its illuminating power became an acknowledged factor in the benefits which the University sought to confer.

At the conclusion of Professor Williams's address the Vice-Chancellor said he was there to open the building, but before doing so he felt he was only expressing the feelings of all present when he thanked the Professor for his interesting and suggestive address. He added that it was entirely due to the great energy and simple-minded enthusiasm for India of Professor Monier Williams that the building stood there to-day. He regretted that from its half-finished condition, its architectural beauty, and, perhaps, its usefulness, were somewhat impaired. He agreed with the Professor that England and, indeed, Europe, owed a great debt of gratitude to India, although in perhaps its first distance. It was necessary for Oxford first to understand and learn something about India before she attempted to train men to govern the 240,000,000 inhabitants, with their different races, religions, and customs. He had been told that Lord Wellesley had caused the following words of Virgil to be inscribed on the portal of the college at Fort William:—"Redit a nobis Aurora, diemque reduxit." He concluded by formally declaring the building open, and expressing a hope that the India Institute would create a greater sympathy between India and England.

The building, which is from the designs of Mr. Basil Champneys, is of a modified Palladian character, with details serving to mark its Oriental uses. The interior is fitted up with much handsome Jacobean woodwork. The Holywell-street front is completed by clever adaptation to the line of the street, but three out of the five bays facing the length of Broad-street, still await erection.

EGYPT AND THE SOUDAN.

THE REPORTED MASSACRE OF COLONEL STEWART AND PARTY.

WHEN the mail left England o definite news had been received about Colonel Stewart. The Foreign Office received news from Major Kitchener, which, if trustworthy, would place it beyond doubt that Stewart is still alive. Major Kitchener reports that his runners have come into Debbeh with details of the massacre. One of the runners have spoken with a survivor, who stated that the Greek Consul at Khartoum was in command of the steamer that was wrecked; and it is regarded as certain that if Colonel Stewart had been on board the steamer he would have held that position. Later, Lord Wolseley sent a telegram to London which gives still further ground for the belief that Colonel Stewart returned in safety from Herber to Khartoum. And a camel-owner who has arrived at Wady Halfa says that his most trustworthy man has visited Merawoe, the scene of the reported murder of Colonel Stewart and his party, and that he saw the wreck of a dahabeah on the reef, and ascertained that all the crew had been murdered. But of any steamer such as Colonel Stewart was reported to have been wrecked in there was positively no trace.

A telegram from Cairo, dated Oct. 17 says:—The sub-Mudir of Dongola telegraphs that the special messenger sent to the scene of the recent massacre on the Nile has returned to Dongola and confirms the previous account. The messenger adds that there are no white men among the prisoners. The following is the test of the telegram:—"The special messenger has returned from Wady Garna, where the steamer from Khartoum ran aground. The inhabitants declare that the steamer was conveying money belonging to the Greek Consul, and that there were forty persons on board, including Europeans and natives. The steamer which was armed, also carried the booty captured by the party in their engagements with the rebels, as well as the heads of some insurgents killed at Khartoum. When the steamer ran aground at Salamat the inhabitants were much terrified. The messenger then reports the story of the treacherous hospitality offered by the sheikhs and of the massacre as already known; adding that the only prisoners in the hands of the rebels are blacks."

The Sub-Mudir of Dongola, in a further telegram states that a corpse was seen floating down the Nile at Amburkol on the 9th inst. The despatch also contains the following intelligence:—"A certain Osman Nareddin, an inhabitant of Korti, has arrived from Khartoum after a fourteen days' journey. He was at Khartoum during the whole of the siege, and saw the guns and rifles captured by General Gordon from the rebels. The road between Khartoum and Sennaar was free from rebels. General Gordon's war-steamers, after bombarding Berber, Djalyeen, and Metemmeh, returned to Khartoum all well." "Kashmi Mous Pasha had undertaken to occupy Berber with the force which General Gordon was preparing while Osman Nareddin was at Khartoum. The Mahdi arrived at Shatt six days from Khartoum; but having learned that an insurrection had broken out against him at Gebeldier was forced to return. The insurrection was later headed by Ahhmed Hammad just arrived from Kordofan, who reports that the Mahdi starting from Saced (?) in the direction of the Nile summoned the tribes men and inhabitants of the villages to accompany him. Only two tribes responded, the Kenouzi including the Kabbabish tribe, refusing. Ahmed Hammad saw them on his way peacefully occupied. They refused to recognize the Mahdi, and were still loyal to the Khedivial Government. Before quitting Obeid the Mahdi appointed Mahmoud Abed-el-Kader as his Wakeel, leaving with him only 5,000 men. The Bakkaara tribesmen and the inhabitants of Gebeldier, taking of this, attacked El Obeid and carried off thirty-seven slaves and several thousand head of cattle. They seeme ddisposed to renew the attack. One hundred Egyptian troops joined them. This is confirmed by other messengers."

Travellers from Kordofan report that the Mahdi is again active. A report having reached him that the provisions of Khartoum were failing, the False Prophet immediately set about gathering a strong force to invest the place, with a view to starving out the garrison. This confirmed previously reports to the same effect. Emissaries of the Mahdi have arrived at Omsan Digma's camp at Tamai with full instructions as to the system which he wishes Osman to pursue. This consists in harassing the English as much as possible, without coming to close quarters; and in treating those natives who come in to him in front of Suakim and around with welcome and consideration. This plan and our inaction have effected the open revolt of the Amarars, who have joined the Hadendowas and other hostile tribes with whom they had previously fought as our allies. All the hopes entertained a month ago of opening the road through the assistance of friendly tribes have vanished. On the other hand, it is reported that the Mahdi is in continual trouble with the tribes round El Obeid. The inhabitants of the country between Khartoum and Berber, from the Nile to the sea, are said to be suffering from a want of provisions almost amounting to famine.

In a telegram dated October 15 the Cairo correspondent of the *Standard* says:—The order contained in the Ministerial circular of September 18 expires to-day, as far as the railway administration is concerned. The latter will thenceforth resume payments to the Caisse de la Dette, commencing with the sum of £5,000. In consequence, however, of the Ministry of Finance being again short of cash, early recurrence to the same measure is anticipated. The railway administration has paid a total of £95,000 into the Ministry of Finance during the past four weeks, the final payment of £10,000 having been made yesterday, notwithstanding a notarial protest lodged by the French Administrator, who contends that the mere Ministerial circular of September 18 was insufficient to repeal the Khedivial decree of November, 1876. In a letter written by the Khedive, promising that the Government will indemnify Nubar Pasha and the Finance Minister for any personal losses resulting from the legal proceedings pending against them, the Khedive refers to Mustapha Fehmi's letter of September 18 as a measure "que mes ministres ont cru devoir prendre."

THE FRANCO-CHINESE WAR.

THE English papers contain accounts of further severe fighting in Tonkin. After the defeat of the Chinese at Loochuan, the column under General Négrier, three thousand strong, which set out to cut off their retreat, encountered six thousand Chinese troops occupying entrenchments surrounding a redoubt on the Langson route at Lang-kep, whose intention seems to have been to take Bac Ninh in flank. Lang-kep, which consists of some fifty wooden huts and a score of masonry houses, stands on a hill, at the junction of the road leading to Yenthe, Bac Ninh, and Hanoi, and is surrounded by stockades and a wall barely six feet high. Here a desperate encounter immediately ensued. The Chinese endeavoured to outflank the French, but after five hours' hard fighting the former were defeated, and, their retreat to China Proper being cut off, they fled towards Daoguan, with the loss of their horses, mules, and ammunition. The defenders of Kep offered a most determined resistance to the French troops. The village was surrounded, and it was found necessary to make a breach in the central redoubt, which was then carried at the point of the bayonet. The Chinese loss in the village alone was 640 killed, their total loss being estimated by the French at 2,500. The French are said to have only lost one captain and twenty men killed and eight officers and fifty men wounded. General Négrier was slightly wounded in the leg. General Brière de l'Isle proceeded to the front, and on the 10th inst. fought a severe engagement at Chu, a village situated in the upper part of the valley of Locchuan, is about twelve miles and a half from Tuong Khan, a village on the Langson road, where the Chinese seem to have rallied. Truong Khan is about twelve miles beyond Bac Le, and twenty-five miles from Langson. General Brière de l'Isle's report is under date of October 13, and runs as follows:—

Colonel Donnier, after a brilliant engagement, carried on the 10th inst., the heights commanding the fortress of Chu, which form the *point d'appui* of the large entrenched Chinese camp, which is defended by five casemated forts. The Chinese, who were very numerous, suffered heavy loss, and endeavoured on the following day to assume the offensive, but our artillery fire strewed the ground with their bodies. After having lost all their positions, the Chinese fled in the directions of Langson, and appear to have halted near Phu Truong Khan. We had twenty killed, including one officer, and ninety wounded, of whom two were officers, whose injuries are slight. Our troops were animated by the greatest ardour. The Chinese, by whom we were opposed, formed part of the best troops of the Empire. They are perfectly armed, and manœuvre in European style. Their losses are very serious, amounting to about three thousand killed, including their commander-in-chief. Colonel Donnier states that he considers the Chinese invasion is absolutely arrested in the direction of Langson. General Négrier is progressing very well.

These details (the *Pall Mall Gazette* says) are generally discredited in well-informed circles. That the Chinese have a reputable force in the field is denied; but it is pointed out that the estimate of 3,000 killed is ludicrous. The actual force of the Chinese at Kep, which was merely an advanced post of Langson, was only 6,000 men, and the total force of the Quangtung army in the various posts between the frontier and Kep is only 25,000.

In Formosa operations do not progress as rapidly as was anticipated. The main results appear to be that Admiral Courbet is fortifying himself at Kelung, and that Admiral Lespes, after his bombardment, has been repulsed at Tamsui, after four hours' fighting. The *Times'* correspondent at Amoy telegraphing on Oct 13, says:—

The news of the recent French defeat is confirmed. 600 were suffered to land and the Chinese, who were hiding in the underwood, allowed them to come up within pointblank range before showing themselves. General Tso, when the French were in confusion, attacked their rear. Seventy of the French were killed and wounded, and a machine Gun was captured. The Chinese cut off the heads of the French corpses. The British Consul, on hearing of the barbarity, protested, and obtained an assurance that it should be discontinued. Twenty-two heads in all were brought in. The Chinese loss amounted to 200.

It appears that unless Admiral Lespes can take the strongly fortified position in which is contained the electric batteries and apparatus for firing the torpedoes sunk in the harbour of Tamsui, it will be impossible for him to take the town. It is understood that Admiral Lespes has reported to this effect and asked that reinforcements might be sent him in order that he might land a sufficient force to carry the position.

The following telegram from Shanghai, dated 8·25 a.m., October 17 has been received in Paris:—

"The Chinese are harassed by the natives in the southern part of the island of Formosa, and have asked for reinforcements. Five French war-vessels are stationed before Kelung, and eight other before Heunes, near Kelung. The Chinese are fortifying the heights, and refuse to surrender. The French landed and attacked Heunes on the 8th inst. The Chinese are reported to have made a vigorous resistance. No details have yet been received. It is believed that the latter refers to the attack on Tamsui on the 8th inst."

THE TROUBLES IN THE TRANSVAAL.

A DURBAN telegram to the *Times* says the rupture between Mr. Joubert and his late colleagues in the Transvaal Government may lead to the formation of two rival parties.

The following is the exact text of the message cabled by the President to Lord Derby:—

"No reply received to urgent telegrams of September 16 and 19 sent in the interests of humanity.

"Concerning the movement in Cape Colony against my proclamation for preventing immediate bloodshed and the annihilation of Montsioa's people, I wish to assure you that I only acted to maintain peace. I had no intention against the Queen and the trade route.

"I wish to co-operate with Her Majesty. I trust the agitators will not succeed in disturbing our friendly relations."

It is reported at Pretoria that 500 Boers are in arms in Stellaland.

President Kruger's last proclamation runs thus:—

"Whereas my preliminary proclamation has, to my joy, effected its purpose, namely, the establishment of peace on the western borders of the Republic; whereas my earnest wish is that this condition may continuously abide; whereas now the way is open for the Governments acting in this matter to use their influence with the parties concerned amicably to obtain an enduring peace; and whereas my former proclamation might perhaps stand in the way thereof, therefore, &c., I withdraw the same."

A correspondent in Zululand states that a Usutu impi recently advanced against such of Usibepu's people as had remained in their own territory, in a stronghold in the Bomba mountains. The Usutus were allowed to seize some cattle, unmolested; but afterwards, while gorged with beef, were attacked, and routed with great slaughter.

Mr. Commissioner Rhodes is returning to Taunga, in order to resume his functions.

THE TRUTH ABOUT OUR COALING STATIONS.

"ONE who Knows the Facts," contributes a series of articles to the *Pall Mall Gazette* purporting to give the "Truth about our Coaling Stations."

ADEN.

The entrance to the Red Sea is guarded by our military and naval station of Aden, which is in one sense the key of India. This includes the main peninsula and the opposite peninsula of Little Aden together with a strip of territory recently purchased, extending for about three miles inland. The total area is about seventy square miles. The town is built on the eastern coast of the peninsula, in what is probably the crater of an extinct volcano; and there are two harbours, the outer facing the town, and protected by the island of Sirah; and the inner, called Aden Back-bay, on the western side of the peninsula, which at all periods of the year admits vessels drawing less than 20 ft. From its admirable commercial and military position Aden early became the great port of call for trading vessels between Europe and Asia, and it now forms one of the most important links in the chain of British fortified coaling stations on the Eastern highway. The town, which is surrounded by precipitous rocks that form an admirable natural defence, does a considerable trade in the products of Arabia—coffee, gum, feathers, dyes, pearls, and ivory—and in return receives silk and cotton goods, grain, and provisions. The harbour is visited annually by 1,500 vessels. The value of the sea imports in 1882-3 was £2,014,580, and the exports aggregated £1,444,890. There is also a land import trade to the value of £301,428, and the exports to the interior in 1882-3 amounted to £79,480. Aden is subject to the Government of Bombay, and the settlement is presided over by a Resident who combines the duties of military commandant and civil governor.

The defences at Aden are chiefly designed to guard against attacks from the land side. But Colonel Jervois reported in 1873 that, in anticipation of an attack on the harbour the western part of the peninsula should be converted into a strong defensive position with a keep and three batteries. Two of the Bombay marine vessels are stationed at Aden, and employed in miscellaneous services. It is indispensable that batteries should be thrown up to protect the anchorage off Steamer Point, to cover the coal-sheds and the naval stores, and to guard the condensers. Adequately to fortify Aden will involve an expenditure, it is estimated, of nearly £400,000. A scheme that would place Aden out of serious danger could be executed for £130,000; the armament, including several 10-inch guns, would cost £35,000. The expense would be borne jointly by England and by India. Aden in the hands of a hostile Power would of course close the Suez route altogether. It is garrisoned from India, and held as an outpost of Bombay.

BOMBAY.

It is a startling but indisputable fact that we have not a dock in the whole of India capable of accommodating a large ironclad. The flagship Euryalus, although not an ironclad, but only a large frigate, had to go to Malta to be docked. Negotiations are going on for the construction of such a dock at Bombay, but the negotiations make small progress. Although Bombay has no dock for ironclads, it is a great coaling station, and, in the opinion of many, it ought to be the greatest coaling station between Singapore and Aden. Bombay is the military capital of India, lies out of the direct line of trade to the Further East, but it is easily capable of defence; the whole force of the Indian army is behind it, and it is the great trading centre of the Indian Ocean. As Southampton is the Indian gate of England, Bombay is the English gate of the East. There, if anywhere, we should have a coaling station, well fortified against attack. But there, as usual, we have no such thing. The total value of its trade in 1883 was £79,269,731; and the grand total of shipping, 91,866 vessels, of 3,492,104 tons. The harbour defences of Bombay, as they were originally designed in 1865, consisted of six distinct works. The most costly and important is the fort on Middle Ground shoal in the mid-channel of the anchorage, and 1,800 yards from shore. There were to have been twelve 300-pounders on it and two 600-pounders in a turret. Another fort was to have been built on the Oyster Rock, 1,000 yards from the shore. The third work is a fort on the Cross Island,

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

WEDNESDAY EVENING, Nov. 5.

GENERAL business remains very quiet, home advices both by mail and wire to-day being in no way in favour of increased activity.

Reuter's telegram from London of yesterday's date reports an advance of ¼ per cent. in rates of discount in the open market, and Consols are ⅛ lower. Indian loans, both sterling and rupee, are unchanged.

In the home General Produce markets no movements are reported.

COTTON in Liverpool yesterday closed dull, the sales being 10,000 bales, including 1,500 Surats. Spot prices show no change, but Americans to arrive are quoted 1-32d. to 2-64d. easier. Yesterday being a holiday in New York we have no American advices.

The Cotton market here to-day has again been exceedingly quiet, and practically unchanged as regards prices. Home offers are not plentiful, and on the other hand sellers have no inducement to do business, the crop all round being so late. Current quotations for new crops are :—

Good Broach, March	Rs. 210	to Rs.	211
„ Omra, „	„ 181	„	183
„ Bengal, Dec.	„ 144	„	146

SEEDS and WHEAT are practically unchanged.

FREIGHTS exhibit no special feature. For Liverpool ready 10s. has again been done, and for Continental ports rates are from 15s. to 17s. 6d. At the latter figure there are no takers of steamers for U. K. or Continent immediate loading.

IMPORTS.—Piece-goods are unaltered in position. Dealers are meeting the demand in the bazaar steadily at current prices, but are not anxious about replacing in the present position of exchange. Coals are firm, with no sellers to arrive of anything earlier than December shipment.

EXCHANGE.—There is practically no change in the position. In the morning 1s. 7 13-32d. was quoted to buy three months' Credits, but it would be a doubtful rate at the close. The market may be called steady, but dependent on the result of to-day's biddings for Councils in London for any immediate movement. Bar Silver in London is quoted by Reuter down to 50½d. per oz., but even at that it is still above exchange, as it lays down close upon 1s. 7½d. per rupee. Closing quotations for ready bills are :—

Bank Bills on demand	1s. 7⅛d.	per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 7 1-16d.	„
Do. Three months' sight	1s. 7⅛d.	„
Credits do. do. do.	1s. 7 13-32 to 7-16d.	„
Francs do. do. do.	2·05⅞	„

GOVERNMENT PAPER is decidedly firmer again to-day, and business has been done in Fours at Rs. 99½ and in Fours-and-a-half at Rs. 102½.

SHARES are pretty steady. In Spinnings, Alliance have improved to Rs. 750, Hydrabad to Rs. 1,210, Great Easterns to Rs. 1,025, and Orientals to Rs. 565, but Jewraz Balloo and Manockjee Petits are Rs. 2½, Empress Rs. 5 lower. For Bank of Bombays a slightly easier fealing is apparent at Rs. 757½. Mofussil Press shares have improved to Rs. 420, Prince of Wales to Rs. 652½.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LISTS.

BANKS.

	Shares.	Amt.	Paid up.	Last Dividend.	Cash. Rate.
INDIAN BANKS.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	all	14 p.ct.	757½
Bank of Bengal	42,000	500	all	1 do.	260
Bank of Madras	10,000	500	all	5 do.	630
EXCHANGE BANKS.		£	£		
Agra Bank	10,000	100	all	6 do.	118
Hong. and Shang. B. Corporation	60,000	$125	all	17½ do.	£50
National Bank of India	37,320	£ 250	12½	5 do.	95

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

Ahmedabad S. & W. Company	800	1,000	000	90	1,425
Albert Edward Cotton Mill Co. Ld.	1,000	500	500	18¾	535
Anglo-Indian S. & W. Company	30,000	100	100	Rs. 2	113
Alfred Manfg. Co.	1,000	500	500	17½p.a.	490
AllianceCotton & Silk Manufg. Co., Ld.	1,800	1,000	..	Rs. 30	750
Bellary S. & W. Co., Ld.	871	500	all	..	600
Bhownuggur Mills	4 800	100	100	..	30
Bombay United	900	1,000	1,000	Rs. 30	970
Budmira Mfg. Co., Ld.	1,000	..	500	..	240
Central India S. & W. Company	2,500	500	500	Rs. 30	700
Connaught Mills	810	500	100	..	155
Cooria Mills	800	50	1,000	Rs. 30	690
D. Spinning	000	2,000	all	nil	375
Empress S. & W. Co.	136	500	all	Rs.37½	795
Framji Petit Mfg. Co.	1,400	1,000	500	25	720
Golam Baba S. Co.	1,900	500	500	20	510
Gordon Mills	1,032	1,000	1,000	..	290
Hindustan	1,200	1,000	1,000	Rs. 40	800xd
Hingunghat Mill Co.	700	500	500	60	700
HydrabadSpinningCo	700	1,000	1,000	Rs. 70	1,210
Impl. Cotton Mills Co.	900	500	500	Rs. 20	510
Indian Manfg Co. Ld.	600	1,000	all	..	825
James Greaves Mills	1,100	500	400	..	452½
Jaffer Ali Spin. Co.	600	500	500	Rs. 55	590
Jewraz Bhalloo	1,000	1,000	1,000	Rs. 40	1,127½
Khandesh	750	1,000	1,000	Rs. 30	780
Khatao Mackunice	1,000	1,000	1,000	Rs. 40	935
Leopold S., Bleaching & Mfg. Co., Ld.	3,500	100	100	Rs. 5	130
Madras United	350	1,000	1,000	100 p.a.	3,100xd
Mahalukshmi	650	1,000	1,000	Rs. 35	850
Manockjee Petit's	2,500	1,000	all	Rs. 50	1,227½
Mazagon Spinning Co	5,000	250	250	Rs. 9	222½
Morarjee Goculdas	1,000	1,000	1,000	Rs. 65	1,420
National Spinning	500	1,000	1,000	Rs. 40	700
New Great Eastern	1,400	1,000	1,000	Rs. 45	1,025
Oriental	4,000	625	625	Rs. 15	565
Parell S. & W. Co. Ld.	2,500	400	400	Rs. 14	250
People of India S. & W. Company	1,000	250	..	6¼	200
Prince of Wales Spinning Company	1,800	500	500	30	170
Sassoon S. & W. Co.	1,500	1,000	1,000	Rs. 40	1,500
Sholapore Mills	500	1,000	1,000	Rs 70	1,285
Soonderdas	750	1,000	1,000	..	740
Southern India	500	500	500	Rs. 20	427½
Southern Mahratta S. & W. Co. Ld.	1,212	250	250	Rs. 10	250
Victoria Mills	55	1,000	1,000	Rs. 35	580
Western India S. & M. Company	1,200	1,000	1,000	Rs. 25	750xd

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

G.I.P. Railway Consolidated Stock	..	£20	218-3-0	5 p.ct	160
Do. New £20 shares	..	£20	130-14-6	do.	350
Ditto	..	£20	65-7-3	do.	983
Ditto	..	£20	21-13-1	do.	60
B. B. & C. I. Ry. Co.	..	£100	1,000	do.	617
Do. New Shares	£1	£18	6-5-0	do	50

LAND COMPANIES.

Colaba Land & Mill Co.	4,000	700	700	Rs. 30	755
Port Canning Co.	6,000	1,000	1,000	Rs 14	340

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock Ashdown&Co. Ld.	1,750	200	150	Rs. 4	170
Badham, Pile & Co. Ld.	3,000	100	100	Rs. 12	170
Bapti Oil Mills	2,625	200	150	Rs. 10	210
Barton & Co., Ld.	1,000	100	90	100	105
The Bombay Land & Building Co. Ld.	300	500	100	100	100
Bombay Flour Mill Co.	500	500	500		
Bombay Saw Mills	100	1,000	1,000	Rs. 35	555
Bombay Ice Manufacturing Co., Limited.	118B	100	100	Rs.5½	475
Bombay & Burmah Trading Corporation.	1,000	2,500	1,550	375	4,800
Do. New Shares		500	300	...	1,000
Bombay Fire Insurance Co.	600	2,000	1,000	25	750
Bombay Municipal Bonds	..	..	..	6 p.ct.	104
Bombay Brick & Tile Co., Ld.	1,000	100	100	...	10 n
Cash Bazaar	1,500	100	100	..	85
Cooper, Madon & Co., Ld.	1,100	100	100		125
Indian Guarantee Surety ship Association	5,000	100	10	10p.ct.	12
Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Mining Co., Limited	42,000		5	..	3½
Kurrachee Ice Co., Ld.	1,400	100	100	..	35
Kurrachee Lighterage Company, Ld.	500	500	200	36p. a.	225
Kemp & Co. Ld.	2,000	200	175	Rs. 22½	223
Mechanics BuildingCo	4,000	50	50	3 p.ct.	23
Oriental Government Security Life Assurance Company	5,000	200	50	5 & 7½ p.ct.	55 & 65
Oriental Loan Association	5,000	20	20	6 p.ct.	25
Pearse and Co., Ld.	1,000	100	75	Nil.	75
Prince of Wales Fire Insurance	250	1,000	1,000	Rs. 100	1,435
Soundy & Co., Ld.	1,000	100	all	8 p.ct.	101
Telephone Co., Ld.	19,200	25	25	Rs. 1-8	14
Treacher & Co., Ld.	2,000	500	all	Rs. 90	1,180
Thacker & Co., Ld.	1,000	100	all	Rs. 15	155
Western India Flour Mills	1,000	125	75	Rs. 12	102xd

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Hindustan, 1,908 tons, Captain C. Dumond, sailed yesterday for Marseilles, with a general cargo.

THE steamer City of Manchester, 2,089 tons, Captain D C Gilmour, sailed yesterday for Jeddah, &c., Gulf, with a general cargo and 60 deck passengers.

THE B and P S N Co's steamer Calder, 400 tons, Captain T Hughes, will sail to-day for the Persian with a general cargo and 62 deck passengers.

THE steamer Cutch, 123 tons, Captain W. Crowder, arrived in harbour on the 4th instant from Hull (24th Sept.), in ballast and 12 deck passengers.

THE steamer Bhownuggur, 108 tons, Nacoda, arrived in harbour yesterday from Bhownuggur (4th Nov.) with a general cargo, and 91 deck passengers.

THE steamer Adria, 1,781 tons, Captain R. G. Raffin, arrived in harbour on the 4th instant from Jeddah (17th Oct.), via Hoodeida, Aden and Kurrachee, with a general cargo and 285 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Sirsa, 1,091 tons, Capt A T W Whittard, sailed yesterday for Coast and Calcutta, with a general cargo and the following passengers :—Miss Clerk, Captain A J P Nuthall, Mrs Ebden and three children, Major and Mrs Godfrey, Dr D Rustomjee Wadia, Dr A. Bocarro, Mr H C Assauw, Mr F Rodrigues, two ladies, and two children, Mr G B Payne and child, Miss Cazalet, Mrs Khadusha, Matabebee, Embaebebee, and 31 deck.

THE Anchor Line s.s. Nubia, Commander T. G. Knox, arrived in Harbour yesterday from Glasgow, Oct. 3, Liverpool, Oct. 8, Port Said, Oct. 21, and Suez Oct. 23, with mails, passengers and a general cargo. Fine weather was experienced throughout the passage. The following is a list of the passengers landed in Bombay :—Mr. W. D. Blyth, Mrs. Blyth, Capt. Banon, Mr. D. Brooks, Capt. E. Clark, Mrs. Clark, Miss Davidson, Mrs. Hill, Miss Hill, Mr. J. L. Johnston, Mrs. Johnston, Master Jack Johnston, Miss Dora Johnston and infant, Mrs. Jopp and two children, Miss Lamond, Miss Price, Mr. T. Troward, Mrs. Troward and two children, Miss Weeks, Miss Webster, Miss C. Wheeler, Miss F. Wheeler, Miss K. Wheeler, Mr. A. G. Wyatt, and Mrs. Wyatt.

ARRIVALS.

Nov.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
4	Cutch (s)	Crowder	Hull, Sept. 24.
	Adria (s)	Raffin	Jeddah, Oct. 17.
5	Nubia (s)	Knox	Glasgow, Oct. 3.
	Bhownuggur (s)	Nacoda	Bhownuggur, Nov. 4.

DEPARTURES.

Nov.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
5	C. of Manchester (s)	Gilmour	Jeddah.
	Hindoostan (s)	Dumond	Marseilles.
	Sirsa (s)	Whittard	Calcutta.
	Euphrates (s)	Sheldrick	Kurrachee &c.

The following vessels were entered for loading yesterday :—

Steamer Khiva, to China &c.
„ Adria, to Mauritius.
„ Java, to Persian Gulf via Kurrachee.
„ Scindia, to Kurrachee.
„ Bhownuggur, to Bhownuggur.

The steamer Calder, Hughes, to Persian Gulf, obtained her port-clearance yesterday.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

Oct.
31 Chusan (s) ..... Wyatt ..... London, Sept. 24.
County of Peebles. Blair ..... Bombay, Oct. 3.

Nov.
1 Agra (s) ..... Macfarlane. Bombay, Oct. 2.
Japan (s) ..... Gardner ..... Hongkong, Oct. 16.
Saint Marnock (s). Burd ..... Mauritius, Sept. 15.

DEPARTURES.

Oct. 31.—Mahratta and Delhi, Ship Carbet Castle.
Nov. 1.—Steamer Sandal, Ships Siren and Falls of Clyde.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—NOVEMBER 4.

Murray, Brigadier General, R A, from leave, from England.
Napier, Major, Political Dept, from leave, from England.
Baker, Major Genl, Staff, on duty, from England.
Baker Russell, Colonel, 13th Hussars, on duty, from Muttra.
Banon, Captain, 39th Bengal N I, from leave, from England.
Park, Captain, Devonshire, from leave, from England.
Cloete, Colonel, Staff Corps, from leave, from England.
Logan, Colonel, Staff Corps, from leave, from England.
Mackenzie, Captain, 1st Belooch Regt, on duty, from Sibi.
Haking, Lieut.-Col, Hampshire, on duty, from Deolalee.
Anderson, Captain, D. A. Q. M. G., on duty, from Kurrachee.
Vauchope, Colonel, 14th Bengal N I, from leave, from England.
Whishaw, Surg Major, from leave, from England.

NOVEMBER 5.

Banon, Captain, 39th Bengal N I, from leave, from England.
Ellison, Lieut, 45th Sikhs, on leave, from Queta.
Clarke, Captain, Worcestershire, from leave, from England.

DEPARTURES.—NOVEMBER 5.

Banon, Captain, 39th Bengal N I, to rejoin, to Cawnpore.
Mackenzie, Captain, 1st Belooch, on duty, to Poona.
Baker, Major Genl, Staff, on duty, to Simla.
Nutball, Captain, Staff Corps, on duty, to Belgaum.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE CORPS.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS

By Major F. S. Hore, Offg. Comdt. B. V. R. C.

Bombay, November 6, 1884.

The Regiment will parade under the Commandant on Saturday next, the 8th instant, Fall in at the Town Hall at 4-45 p.m., sharp. Red uniform with helmets, arms and accoutrements to be worn. All members who are at the tram terminus at Colaba, Byculla, Grant Road, and Girgaum at 4-15 p.m., and all those met on the way will have their fares paid. Members defraying their own tram expenses can have the amount refunded by applying for the same after parade.

By order,
A. H. ATKINSON, Captain,
Adjutant, B. V. R. C.

MR. N. H. GHEESTA,
DENTAL SURGEON,
MAY BE CONSULTED FROM 9 A. M. TO 5 P. M.
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Opposite the Floral Fountain, next to *Bombay Gazette* Office.

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SURGEON DENTIST,
NO. 14, RAMPART ROW,
OPPOSITE WATSON'S HOTEL.

DR. F. B. SEERVAI,
SURGEON DENTIST,
No. 3, HORNBY ROW,
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MR. T. H. STEPHENS, Registered Dentist, may be consulted as usual at 19, Rampart Row. Fees moderate. *Painless extractions under gas daily.*

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NOTIFICATION.

HIS EXCELLENCY the GOVERNOR will hold a LEVEE at the New Secretariat, Bombay, on MONDAY, the 1st December, 1884, at 4-30 p.m.

Gentlemen entitled to the Private Entrée are requested to leave their Cards with the Aide-de-Camp at the Main Entrance of the New Secretariat on the occasion of the Levée.

Gentlemen purposing to attend the Levée who have already been presented are requested to bring two Cards, with their names legibly written on each. One Card will be delivered to the Aide-de-Camp at the entrance, and the second to the Aide-de-Camp in waiting at the time of presentation.

Gentlemen wishing to attend the Levée, who have not already been presented, are requested to send their Cards to the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor, at least three days before the date of the Levée.

Gentlemen wearing uniform will appear in Full Dress. European Gentlemen not wearing Uniform will appear in a Frock Coat or Dress Coat, with white or coloured Trowsers and white or buff Waistcoat.

Clergymen being University Graduates, and other Gentlemen entitled to wear robes or gowns on account of Judicial or Academical office or status, should appear in such robes or gowns.

The Levée will be closed by the presentation of the Native Officers of the Regiments serving at Bombay, who will be presented by their Commanding Officers.

The Carriages of Gentlemen who have the Private Entrée will set down at the Main Entrance. All other carriages will set down at the North Door and take up at the South Door.

By Command,
GEORGE H. DEAN, Captain,
Military Secretary to H. E. the Governor.

Military Secretary's office, Government House, Parel, 3rd November, 1884.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED].

BOMBAY.

BIRTHS.

RUSSELL—November 5, at Bombay, the wife of Louis P. Russell, Esq., of a son.

SASSOON—November 5, at Sans Souci, Byculla, the wife of S. D. Sassoon, Esq., of a daughter.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

DEATH.

GELHARD—October 31, at 4, Alipore Lane, Calcutta, Hannah Eliza, the dearly beloved wife of L. Gelhard, Esq., and widow of the late C. K. Schmidt, Esq. aged 50.

The Bombay Gazette

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1884.

OUR London correspondent mentioned, in the letter which we published yesterday, that some of the home papers are predicting a Mutiny in India in a year or two. The news would have been alarming enough, had not the reputation of some of these prophets of evil been irretrievably damaged by the failure of so many of their prophecies. We shall be very much mistaken if the forebodings of these inveterate pessimists awaken any great attention in India, to say nothing of alarm. They will not fail, however, for want of industry in sowing the seeds of terror. The *St. James's Gazette*, which has taken the lead in this campaign of dismay, applies itself to the business very earnestly and very busily. It gives a first and a second article under the portentous heading "Indian Dangers : a Revelation," and in a third, which is somewhat oracularly entitled "For Example," the *Gazette* courageously declares :—"We mean to do all we can to drag the truth into the light, since there is no other way of getting the very gravest dangers averted." And what is this truth, which is thus heroically to be proclaimed *urbi et orbi?* Briefly put, it is this. We are on the brink of disastrously troublesome times in India. "One of the coolest, shrewdest, and most distinguished of Indian officials" has discussed, as a matter quite within the range of possibility, the occurrence in a year or two of a storm compared with which that of 1857 was a joke. That is the first of the "Indian Dangers" which figures in this Revelation in three articles. The second is that the army and army system in India is not what people in England are taught to believe—as though the public at home were "taught to believe" anything whatever concerning the Indian Army—and that although Russia might a month hence send twenty thousand troops to Herat, the British forces in this country are six thousand below the establishment strength. It should be noted, by the way, that the authority whom our contemporary exclusively quotes gives the deficiency not at six thousand, but at three thousand five hundred, a difference worth taking into account. Lastly, there is reason to suspect, "reason to believe even, that at this hour a movement is on foot in Central Asia which may carry a Russian army to Herat and beyond before many months are past," and an advance of a hundred thousand Russians across the Afghan frontier is "a common expectation amongst the highest and best men in India." And all this, by an unfailing law of progression, becomes, before the end of the first part of the "Revelation" is reached, "what is morally sure to happen, and that soon." In its second article the *St. James's Gazette*, abandoning the functions of pure prophecy, takes up those of inferential prophecy, arriving at the same alarming result by a process of inference from a good many things that have happened in Central Asia and in India—and from some few that have not—during the past few years. And the result, as summed up in this article, is that the highest and most competent men in India believe "that Russia is preparing for a grand advance upon certain objective points, whence an invasion of India could be made with comparative ease, and probably in the midst of a previously organized rebellion."

Now, we are by no means disposed to make light of these so-called revelations. They must be regarded seriously, but in one aspect only and for one reason only. They have been made in the hearing of a public which is little qualified for judging how much or how little of truth there is in that which the *St. James's Gazette*, to use its own phrase, has "dragged to the light." No one, we fear, is in a position to inform those of the public whom our contemporary has alarmed that the writer of these articles not only sees double—sometimes treble and quadruple—but that he sees in distorted lines and persistently looks in the wrong direction. We happen to know, beyond doubt and denial, whence the information upon which these articles are based was derived, and we are able to affirm without fear of contradiction that when the writer attributes the wild fears and beliefs to which he gives expression to "the governing men" of India, to "the most authoritative and most responsible servants of the Crown in India," the "higher orders of Indian officials," "the highest and best men in India," and so on, he is speaking with no other warrant than that of a haphazard imagination. Where he ought strictly to speak in the singular number he invariably speaks in the plural, and he is as lavish with his adjectives as with his numbers. Those who are acquainted with the subject will recognize in these articles a reckless and excited elaboration of the views, not specifically of several eminent Indian officials, but of one. Whether it is honest knowingly to credit the whole hierarchy of Calcutta with opinions which there is not plain warrant for attributing to more than one of their number, is a matter which we do not care to discuss. But we are anxious to bring out the fact that there is no claim in the memorandum referred to by the *St. James's Gazette* to the widely representative character which our contemporary assigns to it. The writer of this memorandum speaks for himself, and of many of his forebodings and of some at least of his proposals we suspect that he has an unquestioned monopoly. It is a document which gives evidence of much industry in research and of much professional ability, and it is inspired by an unmistakeable anxiety for the safety of India and of the British Power in India. But it is no discredit to the writer to describe his attitude in relation to the policy of Russia in Central Asia as that of an habitual alarmist, or to speak of his fears as being accompanied but not tempered by knowledge. We believe that an improper and an unwise use has been made of his memorandum. Those who have made what they are pleased to call a Revelation must have followed the too common practice of ignoring the preface, or they would have seen that the writer therein asked those into whose hands it fell to keep it strictly confidential. And if the Revelation was unwarranted there is not much to be said for the manner in which those who made it have interpreted it. The author of the memorandum is entitled to the highest respect that can be paid to an expert ; but there was no reason why his judgment upon Central Asian and Indian questions should be treated as though it were the only one within reach, and were to be accepted without reserve. It was not wise to rush at once to the inference that all these prophecies of evil, having been uttered by an eminent authority, must be realized. No attempt whatever is made to examine into their reasonableness. They are accepted as so many self-evident truths, and we have one more illustration of the co-existence in a certain political school at home of a boundless credulity and an unfathomable scepticism. For an instance of the method in which our contemporary uses the material which has come into his possession this will suffice :—On the 4th of May, 1883, our military attaché at Berlin reported that the Russians were concentrating large forces within a more convenient distance of the Afghan frontier, and it is mentioned in the memorandum to which reference is made that the report did not reach the Commander-in-Chief in India till nearly two months afterwards. But the *St. James's Gazette* makes no mention of the note on the next page to the effect that information had been received from the military attaché at St. Petersburg that no such concentration had taken place. Is this quotation or manipulation ?

The worst of it is that while those to whom the memorandum in question was confidentially addressed know how to estimate the bearing of its arguments and suggestions upon the policy and position of India, those to whom it was not addressed, and to whom its contents have been revealed by a plain breach of faith, are liable to be misled by the partial and highly coloured account of it which has been given by our contemporary. They do not know, for instance, that the hypothesis laid down in these articles that a movement may be actually on foot in Central Asia for a Russian occupation of Herat, "before many months are past," is but the echo of a hypothesis put forward nearly six months ago, and that the value of it may be gauged by the fact that nothing whatever has all this time been heard of this conjectural movement. As to "our difficulties with the native princes of India," the chief difficulty that exists in regard to them is the difficulty which home journalists experience in arriving at even an elementary knowledge of the relationship between them and the Government of India. The "native princes of India" is a large phrase—more than large enough, we suspect, to cover the area with which those who so often use it have any acquaintance. We ought at least to be told who are the native princes with whom the Indian Government has difficulties. So, too, with that "stir of discontent in India," and with the share of plunder which will be promised, "and in some cases has been," to those who are going to rise against us. Surely we are entitled to something more than these vague generalities if the situation is so serious as it is here represented. Where is this "stir of discontent?" What are the cases in which a "share of the plunder" has been promised ? Here are statements, definite enough as to the fact, but as indefinite as it is possible for a statement to be in all that relates to time and place and person. If the *St. James's Gazette* is going to "drag the truth out into the light" it must be the whole truth, and not the random generalities which are made to do duty for it. The fact is that there is a desperate competition for novelty and sensation in the London press just now. One journal has set a bad example by publishing a confidential document which had come into its possession by methods which are by no means above suspicion. Another, which the *St. James's Gazette* has good reason to look upon as its natural enemy, has scored a striking success by making revelations about the navy. A "revelation" about India may have seemed to come in appropriate competition with the enterprise of other journals. But it has probably escaped the notice of those who are trying to raise this new alarm that the success of the *Pall Mall Gazette* was not gained by publishing disquieting generalities based upon confidential documents. If the nation has been disquieted by the recent disclosures about the state of the navy, it has been because these disclosures have been specific, and because chapter and verse have been given for the verification of every allegation. Herein lies an essential distinction between the two revelations. We trust that the distinction will be taken note of, and that people at home will recognize that these warnings of the *St. James's Gazette* have been delivered not in the interests of the Empire, but in the interests of a journal which has of late had the best of all reasons for desiring to be talked about.

THE Bombay Factory Commission have arrived at an interesting stage of their inquiry, and one at which the case for fresh legislation is likely to present itself with no little force. The condition of the small factories, as it has thus far been exhibited in the evidence and in the tour of inspection which the Commissioners are making, appears to be far from what it ought to be. These factories, it will be remembered, are excluded from the operation of the Act, and it is evident that some, at any rate, of the owners have made full use of the immunity which existing legislation allows them. The evidence, it is true, has not yet revealed any striking anomaly in respect of the hours of labour, which do not seem to be longer than in the larger factories and other mills. It is in respect of their sanitary condition, and of the unprotected state of the machinery, that they most urgently invite attention. In most of the seventy-four minor factories visited by the Inspector steam power is used, and this fact, *primâ facie*, constitutes one reason why they should come under official inspection. And the presumption is increased if it be the case, as Mr. Jones believes it to be, that a great many accidents occur in these factories of which no report is made to the authorities. In the course of a visit paid yesterday the Commissioners found several mills in which the engine and gearing are entirely unfenced, and in which the engines are worked by uncertificated men. But the sanitary condition of these places is still more unsatisfactory. Some of the evidence on this point is indeed surprising, and the only wonder is that they have not come under the notice of the sanitary authorities. Enough has already been disclosed to show that "something must be done," and it will be for the Commissioners to decide what practical application shall be given to that general conclusion. The suspicion has long prevailed that the smaller factories—those employing fewer than a hundred hands—were more in need of supervision than the larger, and the suspicion is not weakened by the facts now put on record.

THE bestowal of a Knight Grand Commandership of the Star of India upon the Nizam comes at an appropriate time, for it is evident from the news which we publish to-day from Hyderabad that the Government of the Nizam is passing through a somewhat critical time. There has been a renewal of the conflict between the Arabs of Hyderabad and the police, in which two or three lives were lost, and although order has been restored a good deal of anxiety prevails. The Commission appointed to inquire into the affray have already received evidence which seems to inculpate the Arab chief, Sultan Nawaz Jung, but of course it is too soon to form any definite opinion as to his complicity in the disturbance. And indeed this is by no means the only question at issue, nor is it the most important. The Nizam's Government will show lamentable weakness if they do not seize the opportunity for dealing promptly and thoroughly with the great question of how far certain nobles and their retainers shall be a law unto themselves. Unless some modified measure of disarmament follows this lamentable affray the same trouble will re-appear, perhaps on a larger scale. The occasion is one in which the Nizam and his advisers are entitled to all the support that can be given to them, whether by his own subjects or from the outside.

THE MOWRA FLOWER.

A CORRESPONDENT writing from Marseilles under date October 17, says :—The Minister of Commerce who resigned this week has left amongst other vexatious ukases a decision that in future the mowra flower will be subjected to an entry duty based on the sugar entries, or that the flower must be delivered under Government control direct to the distilleries, where it likewise will be subjected to the usual high duties for alcohol. This measure is not legislative, but administrative, and may be recalled at any moment by the Minister of Commerce just appointed. It would be well, however, not to make further shipments of the flower to France for the present, as the duties referred to are prohibitive.

EMPLOYMENT OF DISCHARGED SOLDIERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—As Colonel Chapman has published in your columns a copy of his letter to your local contemporary in answer to a former letter of mine which appeared in that journal, may I ask the same favour as regards the following reply ?

I am quite sure that the feelings created in my mind by the libellous paragraph in Colonel Chapman's lecture to which I called attention in a former letter are shared by the great mass of the officers of the Army who have read his remarks unjustly reflecting on them.

My letter in no wise implied, as the Colonel seems to think, that "the resistance systematically practised" "had been made by regimental officers apart from others." At the same time, it must be conceded that the para. in question affects regimental officers in a greater degree than non-regimental, as the former have far more to do with the reforms of the last fourteen years. Apparently, by way of modifying and explaining away the original sentence objected to, Colonel Chapman now writes :—"These changes have been unacceptable, and we have one and all disliked them and resisted them." But this including of himself at the eleventh hour among the ruck whom he formerly held up to obloquy will not suffice to purge him from his offence. With respect to the word "resisted," let Colonel Chapman here speak for himself alone.

I still deny emphatically, as I have done before, that the officers, excepting Colonel Chapman, who, as the Yankees say, has now acknowledged the corn-hare, resisted these changes. It may here be asked, what had the changes of the last fourteen years to do with the lecturer's subject ? These reforms, notably short service, as then brought in, and territorial corps with county titles, were introduced to attract sufficient men to the colours, wherewith to form both an efficient first and second line. By these changes the Army has to be popularized, any number of men of quite a different stamp were to flock into the ranks, so much so that in a short time it would be possible to pick and choose the recruits ; moreover, the new system would be cheap. All these changes have now more or less collapsed. Even the Secretary for War has admitted that short service, as originally introduced, has broken down. The idea of employing men in civil life after discharge has been now put prominently forward as a plan for counteracting the failure of the so-called Army reforms of the last fourteen years, and as a last resort without extra expense to attract men, which short service and other changes have failed to do, in sufficient numbers and of proper quality, not as a part of the new scheme at all.

Colonel Chapman goes on to say :—"Unless we believe in the system which has now been finally adopted and from which we may not go back, we cannot give it the life it needs." How can a man believe a thing which both his experience and reason tell him is false ? Is a soldier to apply to his own profession the argument which is sometimes brought forward to the unbeliever in some religious dogma, viz., It may be contrary to your experience and reason, but the Church says it is true, and therefore it is true ? In other words, your experience and reason may tell you that many of your recruits are undersized, weak, and incapable of ever making efficient soldiers, and that your regiment is considerably under its strength ; but the civilians at the War Office, backed up by a few time-serving political soldiers, say the men are excellent and you are up to your complement, and moreover you must believe that 5ft. 3in. is 5ft. 7in., that 32 inches round the chest is 38, and that a boy of 19 is equal to a man of 25 !

As to the finality of these changes, "from which we may not go back," one of which was unmixed short service, we have already practically gone back to what in these days is called long service, and non-commissioned officers can serve out their full time of twenty-one years, and specially recommended private soldiers as well. The Colonel almost pathetically exclaims, "If my suggestions are not acceptable, they are worthless." *Aut Cæsar, aut nullus !* His suggestions, in my opinion, are not altogether worthless, but in many respects impracticable. Such, I think, is the idea of compensation to employers of labour. How on earth could it be allowed ? If, in the case of manufacturers, such employers gave work to a large number of soldiers who from disease were bad or indifferent workmen, or at any rate inferior to civil hands, they would need perpetual compensation, Colonel Chapman evidently advocates that the officers of the Army should not only (as they have done) do their best to carry out these changes—so far I am at one with him—but that they should

TELEGRAMS.

THE ZHOB VALLEY CAMPAIGN.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

KOJEE, ZHOB VALLEY, THRO DUKI, Nov. 5.

The force arrived at Saifulla on the 27th ult., after a march of ten miles, and here on the 29th after a march of sixteen miles. Both places are west of Akhtazai. A large fort, two miles west, has been abandoned.

Sir Robert Sandeman's prompt action has resulted in the submission of the Zhob maliks who have come in.

The future government of the country is now being discussed. Shabaz Khan hopes to succeed Sha Jehan, as he has abandoned the country. He is a cousin of Shah Jehan, and says he was dispossessed when a boy.

Two flying columns went out yesterday, one towards Hindoo Bagh, twenty-five miles off, and the other into the adjacent northern hills with survey parties.

Another reputed cousin and adherent of Sha Jehan's was captured and brought in yesterday.

To-morrow Sir Robert Sandeman, the General and staff, and the main column return to Saifulla *en route* to coerce the Musa Khels, about five marches off. The remainder follow the next day. If the rumour that the Musa Khels are coming in turns out to be correct, the campaign will be practically ended.

THE NIZAM.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

HYDERABAD, Nov. 5.

The Viceroy has informed the Nizam by telegram that the Queen-Empress has been pleased to confer on him the Order of the Grand Companion of the Star of India.

ANOTHER AFFRAY AT HYDERABAD.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

HYDERABAD, Nov. 5.

Since telegraphing to you another affray took place on Sunday last between the Arabs and the police, in which two or three men were killed. This was soon put down, and order has now been perfectly restored.

The appointment of the Commission of Inquiry has been published in a *Gazette Extraordinary*, and their investigations and report will be confined to the following points:—1st, the nature of the crimes committed; 2ndly, who the perpetrators of these crimes were, and to what extent Sultan Nawaz Jung is implicated in the matter; 3rdly, the nature of the punishment which, in the opinion of the Commission, ought to be awarded to the culprits.

The Commission held its first sitting on Sunday, when Sultan Nawaz Jung's representative did not attend. On Monday the mooktiar attended, but did so merely to watch the proceedings, and said he would decline to answer any question that may be put to him. An important witness in the service of the chief was examined, and his evidence is unfavourable to his master. This witness states that he had received orders to capture and bring before his chief the City Kotwal, and that Nawaz Jung had in his presence given the Arabs orders to attack the police.

The chief wished to engage the services of a barrister to conduct his defence, but in consultation with the Resident and with his approval the Minister has, for certain reasons, disallowed the application. In what is known as the Great Hyderabad Case the then Resident had written to the late Minister asking him not to allow any of the contending parties to engage a barrister, and he refused to let Mr. Tyrrell Leith, of your city, appear for Bushir-ud-Dowlah. On this precedent, for certain State reasons, the present decision seems to be arrived at.

Nawab Mooneer-ool-Moolk Bahadoor, Revenue and Financial Minister, has also been appointed a member of the Commission.

Those in opposition to the Minister disapprove of the action of the Government, and predict that it will lead to a serious affray which will involve a change in the Ministry. The other party—and they are strong in numbers—highly approve of the proceedings of the Government, which they say will lead to a final ending of the mutinous spirit among the Arabs which has manifested itself on various occasions, and led to much bloodshed. That the time has arrived for dealing firmly with the Arabs is generally admitted.

Mr. Cordery is said to be acting with great tact, firmness, and decision, and gives the Minister excellent counsel. His warm support of the Minister's action in the present crisis gives indubitable proof that he has at heart the welfare of the Nizam's Government, and should silence those who have suggested that the relations between the Resident and the Minister were not cordial.

A EUROPEAN JOINT-MAGISTRATE FOR PURNEAH.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Nov. 5.

To-day's *Calcutta Gazette* contains a notification of the appointment of a European Joint-Magistrate to Purneah, where the post had been abolished and one Magistrate left to get through the work with five deputies. Mr. L. Hare, on furlough, is posted to Purneah, and pending his arrival, Mr. E. B. Harris goes from Rajmahal to act for him.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

LATEST FROM GENERAL GORDON.

CAIRO, Nov. 4.

Major Kitchener telegraphs that General Gordon refused to surrender on being summoned to do so by the Mahdi. The Mahdi has since withdrawn his forces.

The Mudir of Dongola has been appointed a Knight Commander of St. Michael and St. George. Lord Wolseley has presented him with the insignia of the order.

DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS.

LONDON, Nov. 5.

The House of Commons has after a long debate voted the address in reply to the Queen's Speech.

THE AFGHAN BOUNDARY COMMISSION.

General Sir Peter Lumsden has left Meshed, and will arrive at Sarrakhs on the 8th instant. The Indian section of the Commission is expected at Sarrakhs on the 15th inst.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

MALTA, Nov. 3.

The B. I. S. N. Company's s.s. Kerbela, outward bound for Bombay, Kurrachee, and Malabar Coast, left here this afternoon.

PLYMOUTH, Nov. 4.

The P. and O. Company's s.s. Indus arrived here this morning.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, Nov. 4.

The Liverpool Cotton market to-day closed dull. Surats firm.

Good Fair Dholleras	4½
The London Cotton market to-day closed firm.	
The Manchester market has been quiet.	
7lbs. Shirtings	5-4½
8lbs. "	6-4½
40s. Mule Twist	0-9½
32lbs. Madapollams	2-3½
2½ per cent. Rentes	108⅛
3 " Consols	100⅜
Bar Silver	50½
4 per cent. Rupee Paper	79
1½ " "	81

THERMOMETER READINGS.

TUESDAY, NIGHT, November 4.

10 p.m.	76·1

WEDNESDAY, November 5.

6 a.m.	73·0
10 a.m.	81·3
2 p.m.	85·7
4 p.m.	84·3

SIR JAMES FERGUSSON left for Kurrachee at 9.30 p.m. yesterday, from the Apollo-bunder, and embarked on board the May Frere. His Excellency was accompanied by Major-General the Hon. C. J. Merriman, Captain Dean, Military Secretary, and Captain Fergusson, A.D.C. When the Governor stepped out of his carriage, a Hindu came forward and presented him with a petition, which was understood to have reference to some land in the mofussil regarding which there was a dispute between the petitioner and certain of his neighbours.

THE programme of the tour of His Excellency the Governor has been slightly altered. From Gondal he goes to Junagurh, where he arrives on the 22nd, and remains there till the 24th. He then proceeds to Bhownuggur, arriving there the same day. On the 26th he goes to Cambay, where he will make a short stay. On the 28th he starts for home, arriving in Bombay from Anand on the 29th morning.

UNDER the existing Tramway Act, the Municipal Commissioner of Bombay appears to have the power of granting concessions to the Tramway Company whenever they want to extend their line. It was proposed at the meeting of the Town Council yesterday to ask the Government to so amend the Act as to reserve to the Corporation the right of granting or withholding sanction to all such extensions on roads that were laid out or improved by special purchase. Col. Merewether was of opinion that they could not now ask the Legislature to alter the conditions under which certain rights had been granted to the Tramway Company ten years ago, and the Council eventually agreed to his proposition that no action in the matter need be taken by them. A panther purchased for the Victoria Gardens raised the discussion as to whether it was advisable to make any additions to the zoological collection while the question of the reorganization of the gardens was yet under consideration. The purchase was ultimately sanctioned.

THE court-martial at Aden over which Colonel McCausland presided has concluded its trial of Lieutenant Power on the grave charge of assaulting his superior officer, Colonel Rennie, under circumstances already made known. Mr. A. F. Turner, of Bombay, who was retained by the prisoner as his "friend," returned from Aden by this week's steamer. The same mail also brought a copy of the proceedings, which were conducted in strict privacy, and the documents, with the finding of the court, have been forwarded to Poona for confirmation.

WE hear upon reliable authority that Koowar Koorbamjee Rowajee, brother to H. H. the Raja of Morvee, has been selected by the Government of India as the Statutory Civilian from this Presidency for this year. The Prince is now at Cambridge.

THE guarantors of the Bombay International Exhibition met yesterday under the presidency of the Hon. F. Forbes Adam, and resolved, on the proposal of Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, seconded by Mr. Damoodhur T. Mooljee, to present a short address of welcome to the new Viceroy. A committee was pointed for the purpose of carrying out the resolution.

WE understand that a deputation representing the leading sections of the Cutch community in Bombay is shortly to go to Bhuj for the purpose of presenting the address adopted at a meeting held in Bombay last week. The members of the deputation propose leaving Bombay by the s. s. Cutch, a fine new-built steamer which arrived in Bombay on Tuesday last from Hull. She is intended by her owner, Mr. Joomabhoy Lalljee, for speedy passenger traffic between Bombay and Cutch, and expects to do the trip in thirty hours, including the time taken up in touching at the intermediate ports.

A CORRESPONDENT writes:—Great indignation has been produced among the Catholics of Bombay by the allegation in the memorial of the Madras Roman Catholic Bishops that the Portuguese clergy are "alien in national sentiment and education, and are united to extend the influence of Portugal." It is proposed to hold a public meeting and forward a memorial to the Secretary of State at an early date.

A GOLD medal for special distinction was presented to Ernest Walker, the son of a former resident in Bombay, on October 11 at South Norwood College, London.

THE Municipal elections held in Calcutta on Saturday resulted in the various Commissioners who had resigned being, with three exceptions, re-elected. It is considered probable that a case will be submitted for the decision of the High Court as to whether the re-elections are not illegal. "The result of the elections," says the *Indian Daily News*, "is one upon which the rate-payers may be congratulated, and which makes decidedly and decisively for real life in Municipal institutions in Calcutta. The Municipality is now reconstituted, and that the Commissioners are stronger than ever is a matter about which no possible doubt can exist; that they will use their new strength with care and judgment, and in the best interests of the town, may also be regarded as a certainty."

THE *Pioneer* reminds us that Mir Alam Khan of Ghain, or Kain, against whose marauding followers the Boundary Commission have been warned by the Amir's representative Saad-ud-Din, is a chief who gave some trouble during the Goldsmid Mission to Eastern Persia in 1870-72. Mir Alam was at that time the Persian Governor of Seistan proper, and he threw every obstacle in the way of the Commission then striving to demarcate the Perso-Afghan frontier. The intrigues carried on by the Persians, with a view to forcing the Mission to withdraw, nearly led to bloodshed on more than one occasion; and it was reported that the Ghain chief had actually planned an attack upon the English camp at Deshtak which was only averted by the rumour that the Afghan Commissioner was close at hand with a large force. Saad-ud-din would therefore seem to have good cause to mistrust the Kaiyanis, now that a second Mission is in their neighbourhood.

THE *World* has the following:—"I understand that Lord Ripon's services in India are to be rewarded with a dukedom, and Lord Northbrook is to receive the late Duke of Buccleuch's Garter when he returns from Egypt. Lord Ripon will probably be created Duke of Ripon, and his eldest son will retain his present courtesy title of Earl de Grey."

MAJOR COOPER, now on Sir Thomas Steele's staff in Dublin, has been appointed A.D.C. to Lord Dufferin, and will come out to India shortly.

MESSRS. CHAPMAN AND HALL will republish in a small volume, by permission of the *Times*, the series of letters on the native States of India which recently appeared in its columns, and which have attracted very considerable attention both in England and in India.

A MEMOIR of Madame Blavatsky, the founder of the Theosophical Society, has been written by a near relative of that lady for publication in Germany. It is being translated into English with a view to its also being issued in England.

GENERAL JAMES ABBOTT, who has made the journey from "Herat to Khiva," is to put his experiences in print. Messrs. Allen and Co. will publish the book.

SIR LEPEL GRIFFIN is preparing a reply to Mr. Wilfrid Blunt's "Ideas about India," and it is most probable that it will appear in the November number of the *Fortnightly Review*.

MR. J. S. COTTON has been entrusted by the Secretary of State for India with the preparation of the decennial "Statement exhibiting the Moral and Material Progress and Condition of India" for the period ending 1883. It will form a blue-book of about four hundred pages, in some degree supplementary to the well-known report written by Clements R. Markham for 1873, giving historical information about the growth of each department of the administration.

THE publication of "Lord Lytton's Love Letters" has led to litigation. A motion by the present Earl of Lytton for an injunction to restrain Messrs. Swan, Sonnenschein, and Co. and Miss Devey from publishing letters of the late Lord Lytton to Lady Lytton was in the paper for hearing on October 15 before Mr. Justice Chitty in the Chancery Division. Late in the afternoon, however, counsel mentioned to the court that both sides had arranged that the motion should stand over till the first motion day in the Michaelmas sittings, on the undertaking by the defendants not to publish the letters in the meantime.

MR. LABOUCHERE writes in *Truth*:—I believe that legally a letter belongs to the writer and to the writer's heirs. It is a pity, therefore, that the love-letters of Lord Lytton to his wife have been allowed to see the light. Such letters are generally exceedingly silly, and when hundreds of them are collected together the effect is singularly ridiculous. For a woman to receive a love-letter and show it, is as unfair as it is for a man to kiss and tell. Lady Lytton very likely had a good deal to complain of on the part of her husband; but I cannot see how her case has been bettered by the publication of several hundred pages of Lord Lytton's amorous gush to her, written at a time when it is evident that he was desperately in love with her. Both are dead, and it would have been far better had their disputes been buried with them.

MANY a horse-owner in India will welcome the publication of the seventh edition of General Rynes' "Veterinary Aide Memoire," a work sufficiently well known for its usefulness. As its name implies, it is a mere epitome of what has been said about the treatment of the horse by competent authorities, but shorn of all technicalities, so as to be easily understood by all. From long personal experience the author vouches for the efficacy of every receipt given in the book. The work is not strictly confined to English modes of treatment, for mention is made of such native remedies also as have been found successful on testing. An equally valuable work to Anglo-Indians is the one entitled "Sporting Fire-arms," written by Captain Burgess. It is written with the purpose of supplying hints to intending griffs and colonists on the purchase, care, and use of fire-arms, and also contains some very useful notes on sporting rifles. The information contained in this volume will not only prove useful to the novice who is yet unacquainted with the use of fire-arms, but many an old shikaree will be a gainer by the reading of it.

IT is announced that Sir Hercules Robinson has asked the Imperial Government to send out the man most capable in the Empire of settling the trouble in Bechuanaland. Colonel Warren, who put matters right before in those regions, is to go out to the Cape, taking with him as many officers and troops as he thinks needful. The opinion of the High Commissioner is that the work of restoring order on the Transvaal frontier can best be performed by a mixed English and Colonial force. The Imperial Government will probably supply a regiment or two of mounted regulars and half a battery of artillery; the rest of the force will be raised at the Cape. No decision will be arrived at on these matters until Colonel Warren has had time to formulate his views.

THE *London Gazette* states that the Queen has been pleased to direct Latters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom for the annexation to the colony of the Cape of Good Hope of certain British possessions or territories in the Transkei known as Tembuland, Emigrant Tembuland, Galekaland, and Bomvanaland, and revoking the Letters Patent of the 6th August, 1880.

DUELS appear to be on the increase in France. In a duel fought the other day the combatants were M. Rochefort and Captain Fournier, the negotiator of the Tientsin Treaty. The *casus belli* was the publication of attacks made upon the latter in the *Intransigeant*. M. Rochefort was cut in the neck and Captain Fournier stabbed, but not dangerously, in the side, and thus honour was vindicated.

AN important arrest has been made by the Irish detectives stationed at Liverpool. As the passengers were landing from the steamer Lord Clive, which had just arrived from Philadelphia, the detectives arrested a Hungarian of whom they had suspicions, and on searching his luggage thirty packages of American dynamite were found.

WHEN a Russian Emperor declares that he considers the conduct of his Government "blamable and almost criminal" in not having done anything to ameliorate the condition of Eastern Siberia, there is some hope that matters may be mended. But if any of his subjects had ventured to apply such epithets to the Imperial Government, they would have been summarily silenced. "When," asks the *Pall Mall Gazette*, "will Emperors and Governments recognize that wherever they silence the press 'blamable and almost criminal' acts will continually be committed for which they are responsible, but of which they know nothing? No one can be omniscient; but a free press is the nearest approach to the eyes of Argus that the world has yet seen."

A HOME paper announces that the means by which a provisional sketch of a Redistribution Bill was obtained from the Queen's printers and published in the *Standard* is the subject of police investigation, with a view to legal proceedings on the part of the Government, if the facts ascertained should render this course expedient. This draft has been wrongly described as a scheme prepared by the Ministerial Committee for submission to the Cabinet. It was a scheme prepared mainly by an individual member of the Committee for submission to that Committee, by which it had not, at the time of its publication, been adopted. The statement that this scheme was the only plan prepared or printed is a mistake. As it was published it combined two drafts, inconsistent in some of their details. But another plan for carrying out the views of the Government, as stated in Mr. Gladstone's speech on the Franchise Bill, had been prepared, and had been printed at the Foreign Office Press. No decision between these divergent schemes has as yet been arrived at either by the Cabinet or the Ministerial Committee. The whole question remains in all its aspects entirely open.

THE *City Press* states that Mr. Fawcett, the Postmaster-General, has given a contract for 150 millions of post-cards to a German firm, on the ground of excellence beyond those of competing firms.

THE ceremonies of laying the keels of the Russian ironclads Tchesme and Sinope at Sebastopol, of the ironclad Katharina II. at Nicolaieff, and of the floating dry dock at the former place have taken place. The Emperor sent the following to the Grand Duke Alexis on the occasion:—"I rejoice at the new birth of the Black Sea fleet. God grant that the spirit of the old Black Sea fleet may also revive, to render good and honourable service to the fatherland!"

THE Prime Meridian Conference which has been meeting at Washington has adopted the Greenwich line as the universal Prime Meridian. Only one vote—that of San Domingo—has been given against its adoption; but the representatives of France and Brazil declined to vote. Longitude is to be counted from Greenwich in two directions up to 180 deg., east longitude being designated "plus," and west longitude "minus."

MILITARY NEWS.

VETERINARY-SURGEON STEEL, Madras Army, has been sent to Rangoon on special duty.

CAPTAIN H. T. S. YATES, Royal Artillery, has been appointed Station Staff Officer, Wellington.

THE Calcutta Volunteer Rifles were to have the first Commandant's parade of the season yesterday.

CAPTAIN B. J. STONE, of the Hyderabad Rifle Corps, has resigned, and Lieutenant J. Pile has been promoted in his room.

COLONEL J. P. PEDLER, late Commandant 4th Infantry, Hyderabad Contingent, has been placed on general duty at Tounghoo.

MAJOR (BREVET LIEUT.-COL.) A. F. HAMILTON, Royal Engineers, has been appointed Commandant of the Queen's Own Sappers and Miners.

AN exchange of batteries has been sanctioned between Captains G. M. Boothby and W. H. H. Waters, and between Majors A. E. Duthy and W. G. Mulloy.

IT has been decided to relieve the company of the South Wales Borderers at Malhapooram by a company of the 1st Battalion Oxfordshire Regiment from Bangalore.

CAPTAIN RAE, 2nd West Yorkshire Regiment, a probationer for the Army Pay Department, has joined the office of the Pay Examiner, Calcutta, for the second period of his probation.

CAPTAIN G. MOORE, B Battery 4th Brigade, Royal Artillery, a probationer for the Army Pay Department, has been attached to the 1st Dragoon Guards for the first period of his probation.

Truth understands that it is practically settled that Sir Anthony Hoskins, now Admiral Superintendent of Naval Reserves, is to succeed the Duke of Edinburgh in the command of the Channel Squadron.

THE appointment of Director-General of Military Education is vacant, consequent on the retirement, under the age clause, of Lieutenant-General Sir Beauchamp Walker, K.C.B., who has held the post since the 19th of January, 1878.

THE Tasmania, in which Lord Dufferin and suite will come out to India, is one of the newest as well as one of the fastest steamers in the P. and O. Company's fleet. Leaving Tilbury Docks on the 12th instant, the Tasmania is timed to reach Bombay at the latest on December 9.

CAPTAIN F. F. R. BURGESS, Bengal Staff Corps, Military Account Department, on return from furlough has been posted as Presidency Paymaster, Calcutta, relieving Lieutenant H. M. Prior, Bombay Staff Corps, who has taken over the duties of the Account Branch from Lieutenant-Colonel C. J. Durand.

THE prospectus of the Northern India Rifle Association, just issued, includes a new match on the lines of the first stage for the Queen's prize at Wimbledon, in which twenty-five prizes, including the National Rifle Association Medal, will be given. This Association retains military positions, whereas the W. I. R. A. allows "any" position.

THE Surgeon-General of Her Majesty's Forces has issued a circular notifying that applications from officers of the Army Medical Department to be permitted to retire from the service should be submitted, through the administrative medical officer and the general officer commanding the division or district, to the Military Secretary, for the orders of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

THE Jumna has left Portsmouth for Bombay. In addition to the 3rd Dragoon Guards, under the command of Lieut.-Col. Murray, consisting of 19 officers, 402 men, 37 women, and 76 children, she brings out the following drafts:—Lieutenants Cubitt and White, and 207 men, 2nd Cheshire Regiment; Major Spratt, Capt. Moss, and 147 men, 1st Worcestershire Regiment; Major Grant and 60 men, Seaforth Highlanders; Capt. Ind, Lieut. Hunter-Blair, and 70 men of the Royal Horse Artillery; Majors Smyth, Nutt, and Buckle, Captains Burrows, Berber, and Moberley, Lieutenants Haygate and Du Cane, and 270 men belonging to the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Brigades Royal Artillery; sundry individuals belonging to the Indian Army, 47 women and children, and the following individual officers:—Lieutenant-Colonel Robinson, Bedford Regiment; Lieutenant Stewart, Rifle Brigade; Lieutenant-Colonel Blake and Lieutenant O'Farrel, 6th Dragoon Guards; Lieutenant Pritchard, Lancashire Regiment; Lieutenant Brady, Gloucester Regiment; Lieutenant Watson, Dorset Regiment; Lieutenant Clark, King's Rifles; Lieutenant Digan, Middlesex Regiment; Lieutenants Napier and Tulloch, King's Borderers; Lieutenant Bentley-Innis, 14th Hussars; Lieutenant Gordon, Hampshire Regiment; Lieutenants Bales and Shubrick, Somerset Regiment; Captain Graham, Manchester Regiment; Lieutenant Lewis, North Staffordshire Regiment; Major Woodward, Munster Fusiliers; Lieutenant Agnew, Scots Fusiliers; Lieutenant Davidson, Leinster Regiment; Lieutenant Walker, Scottish Rifles; Lieutenant Prendergast, Oxford Light Infantry; Lieutenant Troyford, North Stafford Regiment; Lieutenant Jarvis, Welsh Fusiliers; Lieutenant Pratt, Durham Light Infantry; Lieutenant Chatterton, Norfolk Regiment; Lieutenant Clowes, South York Regiment; Colonel Dyson-Laurie, Border Regiment; Lieutenant Carnegy, East York Regiment; Lieutenant Monk, Lancashire Fusiliers; Lieutenant Macnabb, Highland Light Infantry; Lieutenant Dallas, R.E. (for Aden); Surgeons Hindley, Welsh, Fink, Banatvala, and Aplin, Indian Medical Service; Vet.-Surgeon Durrant; and Surgeons-Major Lewer and Sawders, and Surgeon Morse, Army Medical Department.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER REPORT.

SIMLA, Nov. 5.—The general decrease of pressure in progress yesterday continues to-day only at Salem and Cochin; in all other places there is a recovery. Off Negapatam the pressure continues unsteady, and there is apparently still a distinct baric minimum off that coast. The pressure is greatest in the north-west. The winds are little changed, still blowing from directions between north and east, except in Upper India, where it is rather variable. Rain has fallen over the whole of Madras and Mysore, but not elsewhere. Amounts at Madras and Tuticorin are large. The temperature continues to decrease, though the changesare rather irregular. Weather is cloudy or overcast all over the south of the peninsula. Rain to-day:—Tuticorin, 5 inches; Madras, 3 inches; Negapatam, Mangalore, and Calicut, 1 inch; Wellington and Madura, ½ inch. Previously, unimportant.

THE RECEPTION OF LORD DUFFERIN.

THE Hon. F. Forbes Adam presided last evening at a meeting of the guarantors of the Bombay International Exhibition convened with respect to a proposal for the presentation of an address to the new Viceroy. There were also present:—The Hon. Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, Messrs G. Cotton, Nanabhoy B. Jeejeebhoy, Damoodhur Thakersey Mooljee, Joomabhoy Laljee, B. N. Servai, Khan Bahadur M C. Murzban, Rao Bahadur Gunpatrao Moraba Pitale, Dr. Da Gama, Messrs. Vurjeevandas Madowdas, Sorabjee Dhunjeebhoy Wadia, Hurkissondas Madowdas, and John Gordon, the honorary secretary.

In explaining the purpose for which they had been called together, the president said it had been brought to his notice lately by several influential guarantors that it would be very desirable the guarantors should present a short address to Lord Dufferin for the purpose of welcoming him, and of explaining the object and scope of the Exhibition, and at the same time endeavour to obtain the new Viceroy's sympathy and co-operation in the work, which would no doubt be readily gained. He therefore came to the conclusion that the shortest and best plan would be to call a meeting of the guarantors and to ask them to appoint a small committee, including himself and the honorary secretary, to draw up an address, the other arrangements necessary being also left in their hands. (Hear, hear.)

Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy proposed "That the following gentlemen be associated with the president and the honorary secretary to prepare an address to Lord Dufferin and to take the necessary steps to present the same, viz.:—Mr. E. C. K. Oliphant, Mr. P. M. Mehta, the Hon. Budrodin Tyebjee, Mr. H. Curwen, Mr. Nanabhoy B. Jeejeebhoy, and the Hon. K. T. Telang."

This was seconded by Mr. D. T. Mooljee and carried unanimously. With a vote of thanks to the president, the proceedings then terminated.

DR. BLANC AND THE HONORARY SURGEONS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—My attention has been called to the following remark made by Dr. Blanc at the last meeting of the Corporation, as reported in the *Bombay Gazette* of the 29th ultimo:—"They supposed that it would be more honourable . . . to distribute handbills throughout the town informing the world that they were honorary assistant surgeons to an hospital, and displayed big boards in front of . . second-class drug-stores." I beg to request you will be good enough to publish this my contradiction to the above statement of Dr. Blanc's, which affects me personally as one of the honorary assistant surgeons. I never distributed hand-bills throughout the town or took any other means for parading before the public that I was honorary assistant surgeon to the G. T. Hospital; neither have I put up big boards displaying my hospital connection. Dr. Blanc is so well aware of this that I wonder why he should have made a sweeping remark applicable to the honorary assistant surgeons as a body. He has been careful to protect Dr. R. Blaney from his offensive criticisms on the principle, I believe, of "divide and conquer." But notwithstanding this little piece of strategy of his, the prejudice, almost amounting to an animus, with which he has treated the honorary assistant surgeons as a body is so patent in all his speeches that I would beg of the learned doctor to be a little more careful in future how he indulges in generalities for which he knows there is no foundation. Would Dr. Blanc mind my telling him that to make gratuitous and baseless attacks on the professional character of people is scarcely becoming a gentleman? I am sure if he had not forgotten himself he would not have said, as he is reported to have said, "had Dr. R. Blaney been the only honorary surgeon appointed at the hospital, most probably the unfortunate dispute would not have taken place."—Yours, &c.,

H. D. PESIKAKA.

Nov. 5.

BOMBAY TOWN COUNCIL.

AT the weekly meeting of the Town Council held yesterday, there were present Sir Frank Souter, (chairman), Dr. Peterson, Dr. Blanc, Messrs. Nanabhoy B. Jeejeebhoy, Thorburn, R. M. Sayani, Nowrozjee Furdoonjee, M. N. Banajee, and R. N. Khote.

ANIMALS FOR THE VICTORIA GARDENS.

The Town Council discussed a memorandum of the Municipal Commissioner reporting that he had authorised the purchase of a female panther for the Victoria Gardens for Rs. 60.

Col. Merewether was against the purchase of any more animals for the Victoria Gardens, observing that the committee of experts that had been appointed were doubtful as to whether a zoological collection should be maintained there.

Mr. Nowrozjee was in favour of making zoological additions to the gardens whenever there was an opportunity of doing so. The animals were a great source of attraction to the masses.

Dr. Peterson said they should not purchase any more animals until they could provide for them better accommodation.

The chairman thought the whole question of the Victoria Gardens was yet under consideration. He would, however, express his opinion that if the animals were at all to be kept they should be treated much better than they were at present, and made as comfortable as possible. He had just been informed by Mr. Barrow that the Government had been addressed upon the subject, with the view of ascertaining whether they were prepared to contribute towards the botanical portion of the garden.

Col. Merewether proposed that in recording the memorandum the Town Council were of opinion that while the question of the reorganization of the Victoria Gardens was under consideration further presents to the zoological collection should not be accepted.

Dr. Peterson seconded the proposition.

Mr. Nowrozjee Furdoonjee observed that if the animals were really starved, the Municipal Commissioner should be asked to inquire into the matter, and inform them whether he considered that any improvement in the present state of affairs was necessary. The speaker then moved an amendment that the memorandum be recorded.

Mr. Banajee seconded the amendment, and Dr. Blanc supported it, remarking that the Commissioner would not have purchased the animal unless he saw that it would be properly housed and fed.

The amendment being put to the vote was carried as a substantive proposition.

ADDITIONAL PRINTING CHARGES.

The Council recommended the Corporation to grant the sum of Rs. 8,500, from surplus cash balance, to meet the estimated cost of additional charges to the end of the current year, for printing and advertising for the Corporation and Town Council. This increased charge is owing to the large amount of advertising and the quantity of additional printing during the last seven months.

RIGHT OF THE TRAMWAY COMPANY TO PUBLIC ROADS.

The Municipal Commissioner asked to frame certain new sections relating to set-back, for the approval of the Corporation, with a view to such sections being submitted to the Government of Bombay in the Legislative Department, for inclusion in the amended Municipal Act. These sections were to be so drafted as to reserve to the Corporation the power of granting or withholding sanction to all proposed extensions of the Tramway Company's lines on roads that were laid out or improved by special purchases, otherwise than by the enforcement of the ordinary set-back improvements.

In the course of discussion Dr. Peterson said that they were by law under certain obligations to the Tramway Company, and it was inadvisable for the Town Council to appeal to the Legislature to liberate them from these obligations. To remedy the present state of affairs, they should approach the company itself in a friendly spirit. He contended that even in all the roads constructed since the passing of the Tramway Act, that company had the right conferred on them by law to lay down lines with the sanction of the Municipal Commissioner.

Mr. Khote said that under the Tramway Act the Commissioner had authority to grant whatever concession he thought proper to the Tramway Company. All the right and title to the roads of the city had been vested by law in the Municipal Corporation; but the Act appeared to be framed, as if their right to the roads was to be suspended whenever the Tramway Company entered into an agreement with the Municipal Commissioner with regard to the roads. This was surely an error in the Legislature, which they now desired to see corrected. The proposed alteration compelling the Commissioner to consult the Corporation did not in the least afflict the Tramway Company.

Mr. Nowrozjee thought the Tramway Company had no right to lay down lines on any new road constructed by the Municipality at their own cost.

Dr. Peterson said it was unfortunate that, as at present arranged, the Tramway Company need only consult the Commissioner. But the Commissioner as a wise man—and they knew that Mr. Ollivant was a wise man—would on all occasions consult the Corporation in this matter. He did not think that the remedy proposed was the best under the circumstances, and would move an amendment to which he hoped the Council would find no difficulty in agreeing. It was this—that the Corporation be recommended to appoint a small committee to take into consideration the whole subject of the Tramway Act, and to propose remedies for the present unsatisfactory state of things.

Mr. Nowrozjee submitted that they ought not to agree to any arrangement that was in the nature of a compromise. Rights were rights. Let the Municipality stand upon their rights, and the Tramway Company on their own. If they put a fair and legitimate construction on the Act, they would, perhaps, see that the concession to the Tramway Company was in respect of the roads that were in existence at the time when the law was passed, and not in respect of the roads that were constructed since.

Mr. Khote moved that lawyers' opinion should be taken as to whether the proposed clause was necessary or not.

Col. Merewether said there was no doubt about the Tramway Company having a right over their roads conferred on them by law, and the Council could not go to the Legislature asking that certain conditions made with regard to the company ten years ago should now be altered. (Hear, hear.) He therefore proposed an amendment, that, in the opinion of the Town Council, no action appeared to be necessary in the present matter.

Dr. Peterson withdrew his motion in favour of the amendment, which he seconded.

The amendment was eventually carried.

DR. WEIR'S CENSUS REPORT.

The Council considered the following resolution of the Corporation, dated 15th November, 1883: "That the report of the census of the city of Bombay taken in 1881 be recorded, with the cordial acknowledgments of this Corporation for the ability and conscientious labour displayed in drawing it up; and that the Corporation request the Town Council to recommend, by way of substantial recognition and appreciation of the Acting Commissioner's labour, such bonus as they may deem proper."

It appeared from a statement made by the Municipal Commissioner that the Corporation had no power, under the Act, to grant Dr. Weir any bonus beyond his salary.

Members were in favour of the Government recognizing Dr. Weir's services in some substantial shape.

After discussion, it was resolved that the matter be referred to the Commissioner, for any suggestions he might have to make with regard to the services of the subordinates who were employed in the taking of the last census.

THE NEW SONAPORE DRAINS.

Letter, dated 8th November, 1883, from Mr. Nowrozjee Byramjee Suntook was submitted complaining about the practical working of the new Sonapore drains, particularly in the Marine 2nd Lane and Trinity-street, Dhiobi-talao 2nd lane, and Native General Hospital-street, and making certain suggestions to remedy the evils complained of.

The Commissioner said he would take active steps to remedy the evil.

The Council then adjourned.

THE INDORE LAW-SUIT.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

INDORE, Nov. 1.

JEEVANRAO VYANKATESH was called for cross-examination on the 27th October last:—Before the cross-examination began the witness stated in answer to questions in examination-in-chief as follows:—The whole of the Morvi writing in exhibit C is Sadu Mama's. The endorsement under the signature purporting to be that of Rajabhau is undoubtedly Sadu Mama's.

Cross-examined.—The Hevinanti on exhibits G and H, and that on the seven orders in exhibit 48, do not tally. The name by which Rajabhau was mentioned in documents was Rajajirao. He also used to mention himself as Rajajirao. His father called him Rajabhau, and all people so addressed him as a mark of respect. On one occasion Rajabhau was pressed hard for money by a sowkar. I paid the money for him from the Anandi Nazarana Hoozur Treasury. Rajabhau had an account with Mayaram Shriram and Tarana merchants. Outwardly he owed to sowkars. I don't know whether he really owed them any money.

At this stage a question was put to the witness by Mr. Apte as to whether Balvant Khanderao, a previous witness, had any access to Masahib or Rajabhau Phanse, the answer to which, given in the negative, was intended, inferentially, to impeach the credit of the witness Balvant Khanderao.

Mr. Shantaram objected to the question on the ground that it was not relevant. Mr. Apte relied on section 155 of the Indian Evidence Act. Mr. Shantaram contended that that section was inapplicable. The answer to the question could not in itself shake the credit of the witness, and the section contemplated a case where a party intending to impeach the credit of a witness adduces independent evidence of persons who, from their knowledge of the character of the witness and their acquaintance with him, believe him to be unworthy of credit. A question of this kind cannot be asked in cross-examination. The party intending to shake the credit must adduce independent evidence, so as to give the opposite party an opportunity of cross-examining the witness giving such evidence upon points elucidating how far the witness has knowledge, acquaintance, &c., of the witness whose credit is sought to be impeached. If such questions are permitted in cross-examination, this opportunity is lost.

The court overruled the objection, holding that such questions might be asked in cross-examination.

The cross-examination of the witness was then proceeded with. He said:—Balvant Khanderao used to go to Hari Rao Maharaj and to Rajabhau Phanse. Balvant Khanderao was not concerned with the Durbar affairs like me. The postscript and the portions above the postscript in exhibit C do not appear to have been written at one and the same time. I had seen the exhibits B, D, Cd, and H once before in the presence of His Highness. No order was passed in my presence for giving any reward to persons for having found these papers. Balvant Khanderao was once dismissed in my time, but was afterwards given a mamlat. I know Wamanrao Yadow. I think he is *labad*.

Re-examined.—For some time Balvant Khanderao was my superior. He was head of Singritpasha. I was in charge of the Hoozoor Treasury for two years, from Samvat 1906. I did not dismiss Balvant Khanderao. I don't know that the order dismissing him was written, but I know that he was unemployed for two or three years. It is from information received from my karkoon that I consider Wamanrao Yadow to be *labad*. I know no instance from my knowledge of his dishonesty. The name Rajajirao in the body of the orders exhibit 48 must have been mentioned by the karkoon. He himself did not write that name. I have not seen any letter or order written by himself in which he mentioned his name as Rajajirao. It is not usual in Marathas and Dakni people to write "Rao" after their names, but I don't know what practice Rajajirao himself adopted. I don't know whether Rajabhau had any running account with Vyaran Shriram. I don't know whether he had any other dealings with any other sowkars. I say this from outward appearances. He may have secretly kept accounts with any of these and other sowkars.

By the court.—I was in Indore when Rajabhau left for Tarania for the last time. He went to Tarania in anger, as he could not pull on well with His Highness. Thirty or forty years ago there was no custom of signing letters or orders. It has come into vogue recently. As to private correspondence, we do not sign one now.

Rao Sahib Wamanrao Phanse was next called for the plaintiff. He said:—My grandfather

sion of the sentence was lost). If there is no answer to give to political observation but these rather inarticulate sounds, I am afraid you will rather (at this point photos of Mr. Gladstone were held up amongst the audience, and the cheering was so general that it completely drowned the voice of Sir Stafford, who then stepped down from the table on which he had been standing).

Lord Randolph Churchhill now came upon the platform, and his appearance as he made his way down from the back to the front was greeted with a perfect hurricane of cheers, hisses, and groans. Stepping upon the little dais which had been erected for the use of the speakers, his Lordship faced the audience from which such a volume of discord came rolling upward. Folding his arms, he repeatedly bowed in acknowledgment of the cheers, and smiled in answer to the groans. Raising his hand, he attempted to gain a hearing; but the action caused the noise to be redoubled. Abandoning at last all attempts to be heard at any distance—his Lordship spoke a few words which were scarcely audible even to the few reporters who had managed to get close to the speakers. Amid cheering and interruption, which were continuous, Lord R. Churchill said—Electors of Birmingham, I congratulate you on this marvellous and enormous demonstration in defence of the House of Lords. The immense concourse which I see before me of true and loyal subjects of the Queen is a proof that you have not been deceived by the misrepresentations of Mr. Chamberlain and his friends (cheers and groans). We are met here to-day, as Lord Hartington was at Chatsworth, for the purposes of demonstration, and not for purposes of discussion. I can see that you are amongst those exceptions to Mr. Gladstone's rule that the people are on his side. It will not be necessary for me on this occasion to attempt to trespass longer on your time. I shall have other opportunities during the week of expressing to you the views I have formed on the present state of public affairs; but I thank you, gentlemen, for the kind, and hearty, and courteous welcome which you have given me. His Lordship then stepped down from the dais, and Mr. Stone declared the meeting to be at an end.

After Sir Stafford Northcote and Lord Randolph Churchill had succeeded, with the utmost difficulty, in leaving the platform the rioting still further developed. The roughs and others who were in complete possession of the platform at once seized the desk from which the speakers were to have addressed the audience and smashed it to pieces, while the work of destruction still went on in the shape of the breaking up of such of the chairs that were left. The confusion and noise were almost indescribable, and numerous free fights were going on both on the platform and in various parts of the Hall. This continued for some considerable time. Several attempts were made to deliver speeches by persons on the platform; but the cheers and groans from the excited and disorderly auditory, mingled with the occasional strains of "Rule Britannia," rendered hearing impossible. Ultimately the meeting broke up in hopeless disorder, and the mob surged in wild confusion from the Hall. Even outside, in the grounds the scuffling continued, as well as the hooting and cheering, and it was not until long afterwards that the mob finally dispersed.

A like untimely fate befell the other four meetings, which were to have been addressed by the Marquess of Hertford and Lord Windsor, as well as by many members of the House of Commons and Conservative candidates for Parliament. The meeting arranged to be held in the Skating Rink, a vast building adjoining the Great Hall, which was filled, was a scene of almost indescribable confusion before seven o'clock, the time fixed for the commencement of the proceedings at which it was expected speeches would be delivered by Mr. Gibson, M.P., Sir Hardinge Giffard, M.P., Sir H. Drummond Wolff, M.P., and others. Cheers were given for Mr. Gladstone, Mr. Chamberlain, and Mr. Bright. This dissent soon developed into open riot. The most strenuous steps were at once taken by the stewards and promoters of the demonstration to suppress the threatening attempt to bring about a collapse of the undertaking but without effect. In a short time all available articles of furniture in the shape of chairs and forms were speedily seized and utilised as weapons of attack and defence. Sticks and umbrellas were also freely brought into play. The fight for a time was very furious, and when it ceased an attempt was made by several speakers to obtain a hearing, but without success; and whilst one of the gentlemen was ineffectually endeavouring to make his voice heard the platform suddenly collapsed carrying with it the whole of those seated upon it, together with the speaker himself. Fortunately, the structure, which was only of a temporary kind, subsided in such a gradual manner that no one suffered any injury. No further attempt was afterwards made to address the vast audience which subsequently dispersed without further conflict between the conducting parties.

Although the appointed meetings had to be abandoned, Sir Stafford Northcote and Lord Randolph Churchill eventually succeeded in finding an opportunity elsewhere of addressing their supporters, at an hotel where a Conservative meeting was being held. After alluding to the disturbances of the evening, Sir Stafford said that, so far as the could judge, a majority of the people desired that a proper redistribution of power should accompany a great enlargement of the franchise. From the recent speeches of members of the Cabinet he thought there was, on the whole, an advance on the part of the Government to bring about a settlement of this question. All he could say about that was that any settlement must be made on clear lines and in the Houses of Parliament. The agitation, as conducted by the Radicals so far, was, he contended, really a covert attack on the House of Lords, and he appealed to those interested in maintaining the institutions of the country whether they would like to see that Chamber abolished. In conclusion, he eulogised the abilities of Colonel Burnaby and Lord Randolph Churchill, the intending Conservative candidates for Birmingham.

Lord Randolph Churchill, after expressing his sorrow and pity for the Radical party in Birmingham because they had brought a great slur on the town, and because they had refused a hearing to a great Statesman, attributed the blame of these proceedings to the leaders of the Party, and especially to Mr. Chamberlain. Lord Randolph then severely criticised Radical tactics in connection with the meeting, and concluded by saying that if the Conservatives could not be heard in Aston or in the Town Hall, they would be heard at the polling votes at the General Election.

PEN AND INK SKETCHES BY CARLYLE.

Two bulky volumes, which form the last instalment of Mr. Froude's biography of Thomas Carlyle. The following are a few of the pen and ink portraits which abound in the book:—

WORDSWORTH.

Have seen Wordsworth, an old, very loquacious, indeed quite prosing man, with a tint of naturalness, of immense insight nevertheless. . . . A genuine kind of man, but intrinsically and extrinsically a small one, let them sing or say what they will. The languid way in which he gives you a handful of numb, unresponsive fingers is very significant. It seems also rather to grieve him that you have any admiration for anybody but him. . . . May peace be with him, and happy evening to his, on the whole, respectable life.

SOUTHEY.

February 26, 1835.—Went last night, in wet, bad weather, to Taylor's to meet Southey, who received me kindly. A lean, grey, white-headed man of dusky complexion, unexpectedly tall when he rises, and still leaner then—the shallowest chin, prominent snubbed Roman nose, small care-lined brow, huge bush of white-grey hair on high crown and projecting on all sides, the most vehement pan of faint hazel eyes I have seen—a well-read, honest, limited (strait-laced even), kindly hearted, most irritable man. We parted kindly, with no great purpose on either side, I imagine, to meet again. Southey belongs to the Church of England. This is notable—notable and honourable that he has made such belief serve him so well.

CHARLES DICKENS.

Writing to Dr. Carlyle, from Chelsea, March 17, 1840, Thomas Carlyle thus describes Charles Dickens whom he met at a dinner party. He writes:—

Pickwick, too, was of the same dinner party, though they do not seem to heed him over-much. He is a fine little fellow—Boz, I think. Clear blue, intelligent eyes, eyebrows that he arches amazingly, large protrusive rather loose mouth, a face of most extreme mobility, which he shuttles about—eyebrow eyes, mouth and all—in a very singular manner while speaking. Surmount this with a loose coil of common-coloured hair, and set on it a small, compact figure, very small and dressed a la D'Orsay rather then well—this is Pickwick. For the rest a quiet, shrewd-looking little fellow, who seems to guess pretty well what he is and what others are.

GROTE.

In the evening a Bullerian rout. Dear Mrs. Rigmarole, the distinguished female, and Mr. Rigmarole, the distinguished male. Radical Grote was the only novelty, for I have never noticed him before—a man with straight upper lip, large chin and open mouth (spout mouth); for the rest, a tall man with dull thoughtful brows and lank, dishevelled hair, greatly the look of a prosperous dissenting minister.

ROEBUCK.

Met Radicals, &c., at Mrs. Buller's a week ago. Roebuck Robespierre was there an acrid sandy barren character, dissonant speaking, dogmatic trivial with a singular exasperation; restlessness of disease vanity, written over his face when, of course; near it. Sir William Molesworth, with the air of a good roystering schoolboy pleases me considerably more.

MR. BRIGHT.

"I will tell you," Carlyle writes to his wife, "about Bright, and Brightdom, and the Rochdale Bright mill some other day. Jacob Bright, the younger man, and actual manager at Rochdale, rather pleased me—a kind of delicacy in his features when you saw them by daylight—at all events, a decided element of 'hero-worship,' which, of course, went for much. But John Bright, the Anti-Corn Law member, who had come across to meet me, with his cock nose and pugnacious eyes and Barclay-Fox-Quaker collar—John and I discorded in our views not a little. And, in fact, the result was that I got to talking occasionally in the Annandale accent, and communicated large masses of my views to the Brights and Brightesses, and shook peaceful Brightdom as with a passing earthquake; and, I doubt, left a very questionable impression of myself there."

MR. GLADSTONE.

Gladstone appears to me one of the contemptiblest men I ever looked on. A poor Ritualist, almost spectral kind of phantasm of a man. Nothing in him but forms and ceremonies and outside wrappages; incapable of seeing veritably any fact whatever, but seeing, crediting, and laying to heart the mere clothes of the fact, and fancying that all the rest does not exist. Let him fight his own battle in the name of Beelzebub, the god of Ekron, who seems to be his god. Poor phantasm!

SIR R PEEL.

Sir Robert Peel was "one of the few men in England whom Carlyle had any curiosity to see." Carlyle had given him a copy of his "Cromwell," and he subsequently met him at a dinner at Bath House. Of this meeting Mr. Carlyle made the following entry in his journal:—

March 27.—Went to the Peel enterprise; sate next Sir Robert—an evening not unpleasant to remember. Peel is a finely made man, of strong, not heavy; rather of elegant, stature; stands straight, head slightly thrown back, and eyelids modestly drooping; every way mild and gentle, yet with less of that fixed smile than the portraits give him. He is towards sixty, and, though not broken at all, carries especially in his complexion, when you are near him marks of that age; clear, strong blue eyes which kindle on occasion, vice extremely good, low-toned, something of cooing in it, rustic, affectionate, honest, mildly persuasive. Spoke about French Revolutions new and old; well read in all that; had seen General Dumouriez; received seemingly by nature, obtrudes nothing of diplomatic reserve. On the contrary a vein of mild fun in him, real sensibility to the ludicrous, which feature I liked best of all.

TENNYSON.

A fine, large featured, dim-eyed, bronze coloured, shaggy headed man is Alfred: dusty, smoky, free and easy, who swims outwardly and inwardly with great composure in an inarticulate element of tranquil chaos and tobacco smoke. Great now and then when he does emerge—a most restful brotherly solid-hearted man.

THACKERAY.

One Thackery, a half-monstrous Cormish giant kind of painter, Cambridge man, and Paris news paper correspondent who is now wring for his life in London.

BABBAGE.

A mixture of craven terror and venemous-looking vehemence, with no cheer, too—a cross between a frog and a viper, as somebody called him.

Mr. Froude's account of Carlyle's estimate of Lord Beaconsfield and Mr. Gladstone is coloured by Mr. Froud's own prejudice. He says:—

Mr. Disraeli, however, had, he admitted, some good qualities. He could see facts—a supreme merit in Carlyle's eyes. He was good-natured. He bore no malice. If he was without any lofty virtues, he affected no virtuous airs. Mr. Gladstone Carlyle considered to be equally incapable of high or sincere purpose, but with this difference—that he supposed himself to have what he had not.

THE QUEEN AND WINDSOR.

The following is Carlyle's account of his visit to Windsor Castle:—

The Castle and outside are very beautiful indeed, and sufficient to lodge a much larger figure than poor little Queen Victory. The Kings hang there all in rows, with their gauderies about them, poor old King William the last, like so many shadows of a dream. Each hovers there for a year or two, and then eternity swallows him, and he is as straight as old Wull Moor, the Galloway Hushel. [Hushel: an old worn-out person or implement.]

In 1858 he thus records his first sight of her Majesty:—

Going through the Green Park yesterday I saw her little Majesty taking her bit of departure for Windsor. I had seen her another day at Hyde Park-corner coming in from the other side. She is decidedly a pretty looking little creature; health, clearness, graceful timidity looking out from her young face, frail cockle on the black, bottomless deluges. One could not help some interest in her situated as moral seldom was.

After the death of his wife, in 1866, the Queen sent him a kind message of sympathy, and "the assurance of her sorrowful understanding of a grief which she herself, alas! knows too well." Carlyle replied, graciously expressing his profound sense of her great goodness to him, "in this the day of my calamity."

Here is one extract from Carlyle's diary, describing his meeting with the Queen at the Deanery, Westminster:—

The Queen was really very gracious and pretty in her demeanour throughout, rose greatly in my esteem by everything that happened; did not fail in any point. The interview was quietly, very mournful tone, the one point of real interest, a sombre thought. Alas! how would it have cheered her bright soul for my sake, had she been there.

LORD BEACONSFIELD AND CARLYLE.

In the biography of Thomas Carlyle by Mr. J. A. Froude, the last volume of which has just been published, appears the following letter in which Mr. Disraeli's offer of the Grand Cross of the Bath was made:—

To Thomas Carlyle, Esq. (Confidential.) Bournemouth, December 27, 1874. Sir,—A Government should recognize intellect. It elevates and sustains the tone of a nation. But it is an office which, adequately to fulil, requires both courage and discrimination, as there is a chance of falling into favouritism and patronizing mediocrity, which, instead of elevating the national feeling, would eventually degrade or debase it, in recommending her Majesty to fit out an Arctic Expedition, and in suggesting other measures of that class, her Government have shown their sympathy with science; and they wish that the position of high letters should be equally acknowledged; but this is not so easy, because it is in the necessity of things that the test of merit cannot be so precise in literature as in science. When I consider the literary world, I see only two living names which I would fain believe will be remembered, and they stand out in unconnected superiority. One is that of a poet—if not a great poet, a real one; the other is your own.

I have advised the Queen to offer to confer a baronetcy on Mr. Tennyson, and the same distinction should be at your command if you liked it; but I have remembered that, like myself, you are childless, and may not care for hereditary honours, I have therefore made up my mind, if agreeable to yourself, to recommend to her Majesty to confer on you the highest distinction for merit at her command, and which I believe, has never yet been conferred by her except for direct services to the State and that is the Grand Cross of the Bath.

I will speak with frankness on another point. It is not well that in the sunset of your life you should be disturbed by common cares. I see no reason why a great author should not receive from the nation a pension, as well as a lawyer or statesman. Unfortunately, the personal power of her Majesty in this respect is limited; but still is in the Queen's capacity to settle on an individual an amount equal to a good fellowship; and which was cheerfully accepted and enjoyed by the great spirit of Johnson and the pure integrity of Southey.

Have the goodness to let me know your feelings on this subject.

I have the honour to remain, Sir,
Your faithful servant,
B. DISRAELI.

The following is Carlyle's reply:—

To the Right Hon. B. Disraeli.
5, Chene-row, Chelsea, Dec. 29, 1874.

Sir,—Yesterday, to my great surprise, I had the honour to receive your letter containing a magnificent proposal for my benefit, which will be memorable to me for the rest of my life. Allow me to say that the letter, both in purport and expression, is worthy to be called magnanimous and noble, that it is without example in my own poor history; and I think it is unexampled, too, in the history of governing persons towards men of letters at the present, as at any time; and that I will carefully preserve it as one of the things precious to memory and heart. A real treasure or benefit *it*, independent of all results from it.

This said to yourself and reposited with many feelings in my own grateful mind, I have only to add that your splendid and generous proposals for my practical behoof must not any of them take effect; that titles of honour are, in all degrees of them, out of keeping with the tenour of my own poor existence hitherto in this epoch of the world, and would be an incumbrance, not a furtherance to me; that as to money, it has, after long years of rigorous and frugal, but also (thank God, and those that are gone before me) not degrading poverty, become in this latter time amply abundant, even superabundant; more of it, too, now a hindrance, not a help to me; so that Royal or other bounty would be more than thrown away in my case; and in brief, that except the feeling of your fine and noble conduct on this occasion, which is a real and permanent possession, there cannot anything be done that would not now be a sorrow rather than a pleasure.

With thanks more than usually sincere,
I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obliged and obedient servant,
T. CARLYLE.

A SUGGESTED NAVAL POLICY.

THE *Pall Mall Gazette* publishes the following statement which it declares, has been drawn up by one of the most able, scientific, and distinguished officers on the active list of the navy:—

Our special weakness compared with other European nations in case of war is—1. That our trade is vulnerable all over the world, and any blow to it would impoverish us. 2. The stoppage of our food supply from abroad would actually starve us. Foreign nations will be only slightly affected by even the complete destruction of their trade. The policy of any foreign nation at war with us would be to avoid action with our men-of-war, except under conditions which give them a great superiority, and to devote themselves to the destruction of our commerce. Our policy, on the other hand, must be, not to act on the defensive, but to hunt the enemy and fight him wherever he can be found. The first requirement, therefore, is that our home ports, both military and mercantile, shall be safe from attack, so as to set the whole strength of the ironclad fleet free to find the enemy and force him to action; and, obviously, the ironclad fleet must be sufficiently strong to ensure a successful result when he is found. Unarmoured cruisers may prey on our commerce anywhere throughout the world; and even if cut off from coaling stations they can maintain themselves a long time by drawing coal and stores from captured vessels. Convoy, in the old sense of the word, is almost impossible, owing to the enormous numbers of vessels required to preserve our trade and food supply, and even if it could be done the loss of time in collecting and discharging such enormous fleets would cripple our trade. Our unarmoured ships must therefore be greatly superior in numbers to those of a possible enemy, and they are of little use unless they have a superiority in speed. Our policy should therefore, be:—

1. Make our mercantile ports, building yards, and coaling stations safe by means of torpedo boats, submarine mines, and such forts as are necessary to keep an enemy in check until the ironclad fleet can be summoned. The men for this work should be entirely drawn from local resources. Engineers and stokers from the local workshops, local pilots to steer the boats, fishermen and local artificers to lay the submarine mines, and retired naval officers in command.

2. Complete rapidly all ironclads in hand, and replace the obsolete ships of the Channel squadron with the best of them, so as to form really our first line of defence, afterwards replacing the coastguard ships with next best.

3. Push on Scouts (that is, fast ocean-going torpedo vessels), and similar craft, which can be built rapidly by contract, to be, as their name implies, the eyes and feelers of the ironclad squadrons.

4. Build unarmoured cruisers of the highest speed attainable with moderate dimensions. The *Esmeralda* seems to be the best existing type.

5. Make the project of utilizing armed merchant ships a reality, and test it thoroughly by arming one or more annually, changing the class of vessel every year, making use as far as possible of the officers and men of the Naval Reserve to man them.

FIRE ON BOARD AN ATLANTIC STEAMER.

THE Queenstown correspondent, telegraphing at half-past eleven o'clock on Oct. 17, says:—

"The Guion Liner Nevada, from New York, arrived off this port this morning with fire raging on board. The conflagration broke out on Wednesday last, but had been kept under by the efforts of the officers and crew. The excitement on board since Wednesday has been very great, but all the passengers and crew arrived safe.

A telegram from Queenstown, at noon, says:—The Nevada is lying off the harbour adjacent to Roches Point waiting for instructions. A tug with a gang of men on board have just put off to her, with the view of extinguishing the fire and pumping the water out of the hold. No passengers have yet been landed, and it is apparent from shore that some of the cargo is still being jettisoned. The plates of the vessel are quite heated and the fire continues to burn.

A later telegram says:—The fire on board the Nevada is believed to be due to spontaneous combustion, part of the cargo of cotton being in rather close proximity to the engine-room. A quantity of the cargo was thrown overboard, and an immense quantity of the water was poured on the top of the burning material. The vessel is now lying off here with ten feet of water in the hold. The passengers are not yet landed.

THE CONDITION OF INDIA.

THE *Times* of the 13th ultimo, contained the following article regarding the condition of India:—

The state of India is not entirely what we could wish. There is nothing alarming; no sign of any impending catastrophe; but in more than one quarter there is the possibility of trouble ahead, and great need of firm and statesmanlike management in order to prevent affairs from drifting in the wrong way. On two sides of India frontier questions are assuming considerable importance. The Afghan Commission is proceeding satisfactorily, but its work is scarcely more than begun, and we must wait some time before we can hazard any prediction about its close. In the Zhob valley we are engaged in a little war, and though by the latest reports our expedition to that unexplored region has proceeding quietly and well, we shall be better pleased when we receive tidings of its safe return. From the opposite side of the country our news is more disquieting. Upper Burmah is in a state of chronic disturbance, intensified from time to time by some fresh outburst of savagery on the part of the King. The late wholesale massacre in the Mandalay gaol has been the most recent event of the kind. Its natural result has been to arouse a feeling of profound horror in the neighbouring province of British Burmah, and to lend fresh strength to the demand for the annexation of Upper Burmah. The reasons in favour of interference in some form beyond our own border must be weighed with all care. Our Calcutta correspondent warns us this morning not to attach too much importance to the expressions of opinion at the great meeting held on Saturday at Rangoon. That Upper Burmah is to be annexed is, he tells us, a fixed idea among the Rangoon community, and there is a disposition accordingly to take advantage of every incident which can be turned to account in favour of a forward step. But there are other considerations besides those which were urged at the Rangoon meeting. France is moving in the direction of Upper Burmah. She has recently assumed a direct control over the whole of Cambodia, and is consequently pressing to the south and east on the borders of Siam. Further to the north she is in touch with the Shan States, and in the opinion of our Special Correspondent, it will not be long before she will extend her frontier so as to include at least some part of them. She is busy, too, in opening up trade in the Chinese province of Yunnan, so that here again she comes close to independent Burmah. In view of these facts her treaty of friendship and commerce with King Theebaw may have by and by an extended interpretation given to it. If she seeks excuses for extending it, she will be pretty sure to find them ready to her hand. The question seems likely to be, not whether Upper Burmah is to continue misgoverned and independent, but whether England and France is to intervene. Intervention of some sort on our part appears therefore inevitable in the near future. What form that intervention should take it will be the business of Indian statesmanship after mature judgment to determine.

In India itself there is work which needs to be done. The Bengal Rent Bill, in some of its provisions, has given rise to a grave and wide spread dissatisfaction. It has been modified once at once, and we are not sure in what final form it will appear. It deals with a subject so large, so intricate, and involving such opposed interests, that its satisfactory solution must be a task of great difficulty. There are, too, as our Calcutta correspondent tells us, other matters of internal policy with which the Indian Government has to deal. Most important of these is the question as to the maintenance of large standing armies in the native States. The letters we recently published on this subject have, we learn, attracted much notice in India. The Anglo-Indian Press has been all but unanimous in urging on the Government to give prompt attention to the matter. We shall be glad to learn that this proper demand has been met, and that a resolution has been arrived at that these useless and dangerous bodies of troops are to be reduced. They are a needless tax on the resources of the States those people are called upon to pay for them, and indirectly on our own subjects, who have to pay for the troops which are thought to be repaired to counterbalance them or hold them in check. A time of tranquility such as India is at present enjoying offers a favourable opportunity for doing what must sooner or later be done. The opportunity may not last, and if we suffer it to pass now, it is uncertain when it may return. There is danger in delay, and a corresponding need for prompt and energetic and statesmanlike action, neither giving needless offence to the susceptibilities of native rulers nor weakly allowing a state of things to continue which a large consensus of competent authorities has condemned.

We are glad for every reason that the appointment of Lord Dufferin as Viceroy gives us promise that the affairs of India will be under wise and safe direction at a time when they are in great need of it. Lord Dufferin combines qualities which have been perhaps a little wanting in the present holder of the office to which he is to succeed. Lord Ripon has been a man of ideas, but one idea which he has signally failed to grasp is that India is a conquered country, that it has been won by the sword, and that by the sword it must be now held. His schemes of administration and his views of the relative positions of the dominant and of the subject races have been seldom such as we could approve. There is much that could be said in favour of them, but it would be said with more propriety at a meeting of the Social Science Congress than in the council room of an Indian Viceroy. The questions now pending of external and internal policy in India are more than usually grave. If they could be decided by more sentiment, we should be well satisfied to leave them in Lord Ripon's hands. But for strong common sense, and for tact, and for a statesman's eye and mind, and for a power of will which is something more than obstinacy in perseverance in a blunder, we shall look by preference to Lord Dufferin. He will have occasion for them all if he is to steer our Indian Empire in safety through the troubled waters which lie before him. The notion that our Indian Empire lies as it were in a ring fence, perfectly undisturbed within, and unassailable from any other quarter, is scarcely warranted by facts. There is much yet to be done before the dream can be realized, and we shall be well content if Lord Dufferin can succeed in making some approach to its realization. At present it seems distant enough.

THE NAVY.

(*London Gazette*, October 17.)

ADMIRALTY, 14th October, 1884.

Staff Surgn T D Bromlow, M.D., has been promoted to the rank of Fleet Surgn in H M's Fleet.

ADMIRALTY, 16th October, 1884.

In accordance with the provisions of H M's Orders in Council of 22nd Feb, 1870, 5th Aug, 1875, and 24th March, 1880—Capt F T Thomson, R.N., has been placed on the Retired List of his rank.

In accordance, with the provisions of H M's Order in Council of 1st April, 1881—Fleet Surgn J W S Meiklejohn, M.D., has been placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rank and title of Depy Inspr-Genl of Hospitals and Fleets.

THE ARMY.

(*London Gazette* Oct. 17.)

War Office, Pall Mall, Oct 17.

LINE BATTALIONS.

The Royal Scots (Lothian Regt), Lieut C H Stisted resigns the appointment of Adjt.

The Devon Regt, Lieut A McConaghey, from the Sherwood Foresters (Derbyshire Regt), to be Lieut, vice P R T Gordon, appointed a Probationer for the Indian Staff Corps.

The Suffolk Regt, Lieut C M De Gruyther, from the Welsh Regt, to be Lieut, vice J. D. McAndrew, appointed a Probationer for the Indian Staff Corps.

The Prince Albert's (Somersetshire L I), The restoration to the Estabt of Lieut A H L Bagot, dated 11th June, 1884, is cancelled.

The Bedfordshire Regt, Lieut-Col and Col C J Horne, having completed five years' services as a Regtl Lieut-Col, has been placed upon half-pay.

The Leicestershire Regt, The promotion to the rank of Capt of Lieut M R Hyslop is antedated to 15th July, 1884, in succession to Major C F W Moir.

Adjt, 3rd and 4th Battns.

Lieut G F Shaw to be Capt, vice M W Brock, promoted Major on half-pay.

The Royal Scots Fusiliers, Colr-Sergt R J Boddy to be Qrmr, vice U F Lapham, retired.

The Cameronian (Scottish Rifles), Lieut J G Blake resigns his Commission.

Lieut T Webster, from the Prince of Wales's Volunteers (South Lan Regt), to be Lieut, vice J Ross, promoted into the Border Regt.

Lieut H F Churchill, from the Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex Regt), to be Lieut, vice T G Blake.

The Gloucestershire Regt, Capt T A Drought resigns his Commission.

The Worcestershire Regt, Lieut E A I Pym, who has ceased to be a Probationer for the Indian Staff Corps, to be Lieut, vice C M Edwards, appointed a Probationer for the Indian Staff Corps.

The Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regt), Lieut C Y Crommelin has been appointed a Probationer for the Indian Staff Corps.

The Border Regt, Lieut Arthur R. Dick has been appointed a Probationer for the Indian Staff Corps.

The York and Lan Regt, Major and Bt Lieut-Col R H O'G. Haly to be Lieut-Col, vice M L Elliot, retired.

Supernumerary Major F Luttman-Johnson to be Major, vice Bt Lieut-Col R H O'G Haly.

The Connaught Rangers, Capt H B Mann retires from the Service, receiving a gratuity.

Lond. West India Regt, Lieut J F Trant is placed on temporary half-pay on account of ill-health.

Staff, Col Hubert Le Cocq, R A, to be a Col on the Staff, to command the R A in the Dublin Dist, vice Col W J Williams, C B, R A, whose period of service in that appointment has expired.

Capt the hon H A O Gore, 11th Hussars, to be Extra Aide-de-Camp to the Rt Hon Earl Spencer, K G, Lieut-Govt and Genl-Govnr of Ireland.

Capt B F Holme, the Buffs (East Kent Regt), to be Aide-de-Camp to Major-Genl W O Lennox, V.C., C.B., Bl Engrs, comanding a Bgde in Egypt.

Lieut C D H Fetherstonehaugh, 1st Dragoons, to be Aide-de-Camp to Major-Genl A J H Elliot, C.B., commanding the Curragh Bgde.

Medical Staff, Surgn-Major A Turner, M.D., is granted retired pay, with the honorary rank of Bgde Surgn.

Army Pay Dept, Capt R Meredith, from the Royal Warwickshire Regt, having resigned his Combatant Commission, to be Paymaster with the honorary rank of Captain in the Army.

Capt P T Rivett-Carnac, the Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regt) to be Paymaster.

MEMORANDA.

Lieutenant-General Sir C P Beauchamp Walker, KCB., Col 2nd Dragoon Guards, has been placed on retired pay with the honorary rank of General.

Lieut-Col and Col E W L Wynne, half pay, has been placed on retired pay, with the honorary rank of Major-Gel.

The Christian names of Depy Asst-Comsy Chalmers, Bengal Estabt, are "Robert Allen," and not as previously stated in the Gazette of 19th Sept, 1884.

To be hony Captains—Depy-Comsy and Hony Lieut H A Bennett, Bombay Estabt. Depy-Comsy and Hony Lieut W Jack, Bengal Estabt. and Depy-Comsy and Hony Lieut J Loughlin, Bengal Estabt.

To be Hony Lieuts—Depy Asst-Comsy L Kennedy, Bombay Estabt, Depy Asst-Comsy J Key, Bengal Estabt.

Indian Staff Corps—The date of removal to the Unemployed Supernumerary List of Lieut-Genl Sir Samuel J. Browne, V C, K C B, K C S I, Bengal, is 7th Sept, and not 20th Sept 1884, as stated in the Gazette of 19th Sept, 1884.

ROYAL ARTILLERY.

2nd Bgde, Southern Divn, Hony Col J H, Earl of Malmesbury, G C B, resigns his Commission.

2nd Bgde, North Irish Divn, C J S George, Lord Garvagh to be Lieut.

Engineer—Royal Monmouthshire, C C E Morgan, Gent, to be Lieut.

3rd Battn, the Rl War Regt, W A Seymour, Gent, to be Lieut.

3rd Battn, the Lincolns Regt, W H Dabbs, Gent, to be Lieut.

4th Battn, the Prince Albert's (Somersetshire L I), Major K A A Brasier-Creagh is granted the honorary rank of Lieut-Col.

4th Battn, the Cheshire Regt, Capt J F Holliday, from the 4th Cheshire Rifle Vol Corps, to be Capt.

3rd and 4th Battns, the Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regt), Lieut R B L Cordes to be Capt.

3rd Battn, the King's (Shropshire L I) Major and Hony Lieut-Col Sir T Meyrick, Bart, to be Lieut-Col.

4th Battn, the King's (Shropshire L I), Lieut T G Powell to be Capt.

3rd Battn, the Duke of Edinburgh's (Wiltshire Regt), B R Liebert, Gent, to be Lieut.

2nd Battn, the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, J F Corballis, Gent, to be Lieut.

6th Battn, the Royal Irish Fusiliers, Capt A H Bellingham resigns his Commission.

Yeomanry Cavalry—North Somerset, The undermentioned Lieuts resign their Commissions:—C A Kemble and F Houlton.

VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Light Horse 1st Flintshire, H T Anstruther, Gent, to be Lieut (Supernumerary).

ARTILLERY.

3rd Kent (Royal Arsenal), Lieut C Scholefield to be Captain.

2nd Lancashire, Capt T H E Acton, R A, to be Adjt, in succession to Capt F M Turner, R A, whose period of service in that appointment has expired.

3rd Middlesex, R J J Willis, Gent, to be Lieut (Supernumerary).

1st Pembrokeshire, The service of Lieut O E C Campbell are dispensed with.

1st Worcester, The Rev W C Bruce, M A, to be Acting Chaplain.

1st East Riding of Yorkshire C H Lloyd, Gent, to be Lieut.

4th West Riding of Yorkshire (Sheffield), Lieut H B Firth resigns his commission.

4th Cheshire, W R McClure, Gent, to be Lieut.

1st Cornwall (Duke of Cornwall's) Surgn H Davy, M D, resigns his Commission; also is granted the honorary rank of Surgn-Major, and is permitted to continue to wear the uniform of the Corps on his retirement.

4th Durham, Lieut W W Byers-Gallon resigns his Commission.

1st Vol Battn, the Queen's Own (Rl West Kent Regt), H A Beeching, Gent, to be Lieut.

2nd Vol Battn, the Queen's Own (Rl West Kent Regt), C E Fenner, Gent, to be Lieut.

3rd Middlesex, Charles Francis Pearces, Gent, to be Qrmr.

22nd Middlesex (Central London Rangers), The undermentioned Lieuts resign their Commissions:—J J Symes and J Coen.

1st Suffolk, Lieut R M Miller resigns his Commission.

2nd Vol Battn, the Worcestershire Regt, Capt A W Byrch to be Major.

3rd West Riding of Yorkshire, Lieut-Col H S Hirst, CB, is granted the honorary rank of Col.

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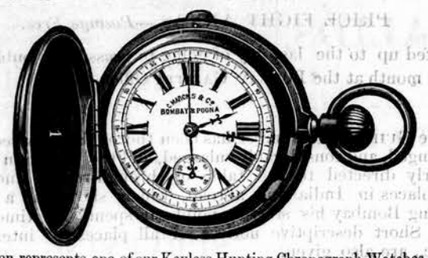

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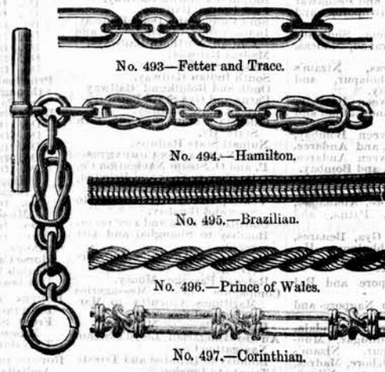

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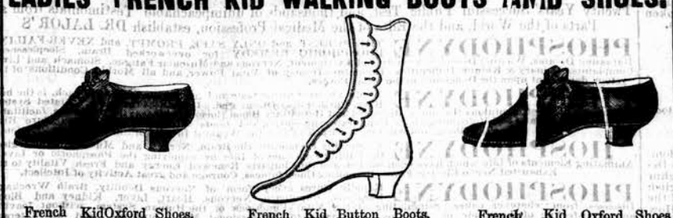

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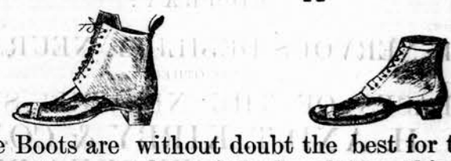

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